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George A. Brown
Son Of Bruce E. & Beachie
Brown Killed In WWII



Indiana World War II Servicemen Database Detailed Record

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George A . Brown
Feb.26,1920- Jan.12,1945
Son Of Bruce E. & Beachie Brown
Killed In WWII

Dear Mrs. Brown:

Your letter of October 16th was received today. I am only too happy to be of some assistance to you. George was in the same company with me ever since we left the U. S. We soldiered together through Africa, Sicily, Italy, France, Belguim and Luxembourg.

You say that the information you have was that George was killed in Lux- Germany on Jan. 12th. It is true that he was killed the 12th, but he was killed on a country road just outside the town of Sonlex, Luxembourg. He was not killed in Germany.

George was a cook in the company for a long time, but he had been made a jeep driver awhile before he was killed. He was not the Captains regular driver, but the night he was killed he was driving our Captain because the regular driver was sick. George and Captain Moore went forward in their jeep to contact the infantry battalion that one of our platoons was supporting. While they were up there, some Germans, infiltrated and captured a cross road back of them. George and Captain Moore didn't know that the Germans had taken the cross road and they ran right into Germans road block as they were trying to come back from their mission up front.

Just as they turned the corner at this cross road, a German who was standing right at the side of the road within three feet of the jeep as it passed, opened fire. He was firing an automatic pistol which we call a (burp) gun. The German was standing on George's side of the jeep. He shot George right through the head. I am sure that he was killed instantly.

Captain Moore grabbed the steering wheel with his left hand when George slumped in his seat. One of the next rounds hit Captain Moore in the left hand and he let loose of the wheel and the jeep ran in the ditch and turned over on top of them both. Captain Moore was pinned under the jeep at first. A big gunfight took place around the jeep as Captain Moore was under it. After the gun play died down, Captain Moore started to call. The Americans had won the fight. Some Americans got Capt. Moore from under the jeep. Captain Moore said

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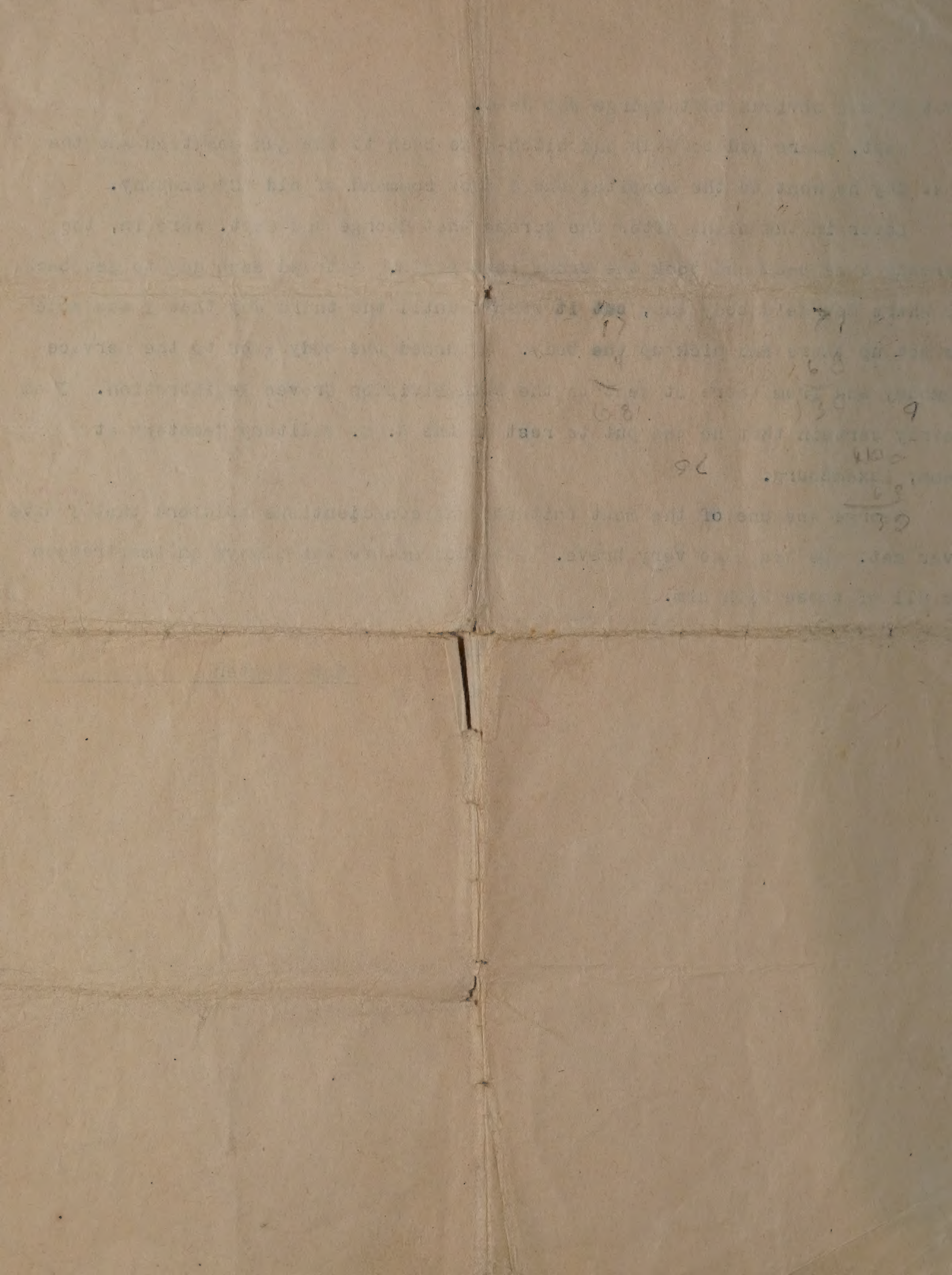
that it was obvious that George was dead.

Capt. Moore had to walk and hitch-hike back to the gun position and the next day he went to the hospital and I took command of old "C" company.

Later in the night after the scrape that George and Capt. were in, the Germans came back and took the cross road again. I tried each day to get back to where George's body was, but it wasn't until the third day that I was able to get up there and pick up the body. I turned the body over to the Service Company and from there it went to the 90th Division Graves Registration. I am fairly certain that he was put to rest in the U. S. Military Cemetery at Hamm, Luxembourg.

George was one of the most faithful and conscientious soldiers that I have ever met. He was also very brave. His good nature was always an inspiration to all of those with him.

Bob Plaster



WILLIAM PRATT
BROWN

OCT. 8, 1847
FEB. 9, 1915

MARY ETTA
BANKS

JUNE 17, 1863
JAN. 15, 1933

WIFE OF W P BROWN



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Brooks	James	Ama Carr	F W	July 27 1905	H- 4	40
Brooks	Levy	Carry Wyse	F W	Aug 19 1905	H- 4	42
Brooks	W J	Julia Botter	M W	Oct 2 1905	H- 4	46
Brooks	Thomas	May Sweany	M W	Feb 6 1906	CH- 3	10
Brooks	Thomas	Mary Sweany	M W	Feb 6 1906	H- 5	3
Brooks	Ira	Ada Gasaway	F W	Aug 17 1906	H- 5	15
Brooks	Arlie M	Mary M Davis	M W	Dec 20 1906	H- 5	23
Brooks	Bert E	- - - Robins	M W	Jan 27 1907	H- 5	27
Brooks	Frank	Rebecca Lewis	M W	Mar 26 1907	H- 5	32
Brooks	Floyd	Emma Roseberry	M W	June 23 1907	H- 5	39
Brooks	Ira	Ada Vance	M W	May 13 1915	H-14	38
Brooks	Jacob	Alice Bolton	M W	Oct 13 1919	CH- 5	79
Brough Donis Lenora	Jno Oscar	Edith Daugherty	F W	Sept 1 1908	H-16	3
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Broumonull	Henry	Amelia Neuedde	F W	Jan 10 1903	H- 3	35
Brounles	John	Ellen Mathena	M W	Aprl 30 1903	H- 3	40
Brouning	Cecil	Etta C Laper	M W	Mar 13 1904	H- 4	8
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Brown Carl L	A L	Clara Isaacs	M W	Aprl 19 1903	H- 7	19
Brown Chas R	Charles	Lucy Cruss	M W	Sept 20 1912	CH- 4	69
Brown Dale	Jason	Nellie R Callahan	M W	Feb 17 1918	H-11	82
Brown Davis	William	Maggie Buck	M W	Nov 7 1888	CH- 1	75
Brown Dorothy A	H F	Lily A Brown	F W	June 25 1911	CH- 4	53
Brown Dorothy L	H F	Lillie Marie Adam	F W	May 14 1909	CH- 4	23
Brown Elm	A L	Clara Isaacs	M W	Aug 3 1897	H- 1	23
Brown Elton Wayne	Roy Asa	Elizabeth Johnson	M W	Aug 20 1918	CH- 5	61
→ Brown Emma R	Bruce E	Beechy Baker	F W	Sept 15 1916	H-11	41
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Brown Florence	Harry	Rachael Glover	F W	July 18 1916	H-11	36
→ Brown Flossie M	Bruce E	Beche Baker	F W	May 22 1918	H-11	91
Brown Frank	Elsworth	Viola J Brown	M W	June 26 1916	H-11	34
Brown Gale Eugene	Grover C	Nellie Bedel	M W	Oct 19 1919	CH- 5	79
Brown Canova	Geo R	Dellie Sons	F W	Sept 10 1915	H-11	12
→ Brown George A	Bruce E	Beaties Baker	M W	Feb 26 1920	H-12	28
Brown Harriet M	Thomas J	Hattie Hanner	F W	Oct 23 1919	H-12	20
Brown Hazel G	Price	Alma Fleetwood	F W	Sept 9 1919	H-12	17
Brown Howard Seth	James M	Rebecca Poor	M W	Sept 5 1913	H-16	17
Brown Ira Stanley	James D	Myrtle Brown	M W	Nov 6 1913	H- 9	28
Brown Isabel	Walter	Ethel Everhart	F W	Dec 5 1916	H-14	46
Brown Iva Marie	Thomas J	Hattie Hanner	F W	Mar 13 1908	H- 7	16



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CHILDREN OF DESCENDANTS CHART

June 17, 1863
69.6m Thomas Etta (Sgt. Baker)
28 days PAGE NO. BROWN

SURNAME: Brown

MAN OR WOMAN
NAME OF DESCENDANT: Bruce Edsworth
BORN: 12-27-1887 DIED: 10-1-1942 STATE: Ind.
TITLE OF BOOK:
DATE MARRIED: 9-14-1912 STATE: Ind.
CHILDREN:

HUSBAND OR
WIFE: Beachie MAIDEN Baker
BORN: 2-2-1896 STATE: Camb. Onward, Ky.
PAGE:
DIED: 2-2-1940 STATE Ind COUNTY: Mitchell

Brownstown

- | | | BORN: | DIED | BIRTHPLACE | BAPTISM DATE |
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| (1). | <u>William C</u> | <u>4-23-1915</u> | <u>4-25-1978</u> | <u>Seymour</u> | |
| (2). | <u>Emma Rozella</u> | <u>9-15-1916</u> | <u>6-23-1985</u> | <u>Seymour</u> | |
| (3). | <u>Flossie Mae</u> | <u>5-22-1918</u> | <u>4-4-1984</u> | <u>Seymour</u> | |
| (4). | <u>George A</u> | <u>2-26-1920</u> | <u>1-12-1945</u> | <u>Seymour</u> | <u>KIA WW II</u> |
| (5). | <u>Clara Mildred</u> | <u>12-5-1922</u> | <u>8-9-1982</u> | <u>SEYMOUR</u> | |
| (6). | <u>Richard Eugene</u> | <u>3-10-1925</u> | <u>7-9-1993</u> | <u>Bedford</u> | |
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OTHER INFORMATION: #10-13 preceded Beachie in Death BURIED IN
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RE: John N Brown

^{IdB}
Mary (ETTA SARGENT) PRATT BROWN
Married Walter ~~Patent~~ 1877

14 yrs old

William - Died Feb 8, 1915 ①

(~~Be~~) Married Henry Shaper 1924 ②

(First Marry) Four sons John, Bruce, George + Thomas (DAUSE)
(MAHALLA) 1 DAUGHTER - HALIE (MARRIED JAKE TAYLOR
Elizabeth Bryant - Crab Orchard.

Christopher Baker ^(Be & Hi's) grandpa's dad.

Martha F. (A Dams) Grandma's mom

BROWN
314-10-4940 Bruce Elsworth # Soc.
GRANDPA BROWN

MARTHA'S 2nd MARRIAGE WAS TO FARMAN HAMILTON

(L.N.B.)
Mary (LETTA-SARGENT) PRATT BROWN
Married Walter Pratt 1877

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Re-Married Henry Shaper 1926 ②

(DAUSE)

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1 DAUGHTER - ALICE (MARRIED JAKE TAYLOR)
Elizabeth Bryant - Crab Orchard.

Christopher Baker grandpa dad.

Martha F. (ADAMS) Grandma's mom (BEECHIE)
314-10-4940 Bruce Elsworth #500.
GRANDPA BROWN

MARTHA'S 2nd MARRIAGE WAS TO FIRMEN HAMILTON



George A. Brown

ID: 35257335

Entered the Service From: Indiana

Rank: Private First Class

Service: U.S. Army, 3rd Chemical Battalion

Died: Friday, January 12, 1945

Buried at: Luxembourg American Cemetery

Location: Luxembourg City, Luxembourg

Plot: H **Row:** 15 **Grave:** 25

Awards: Purple Heart

(D.N.B)

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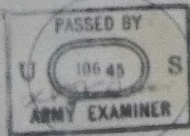
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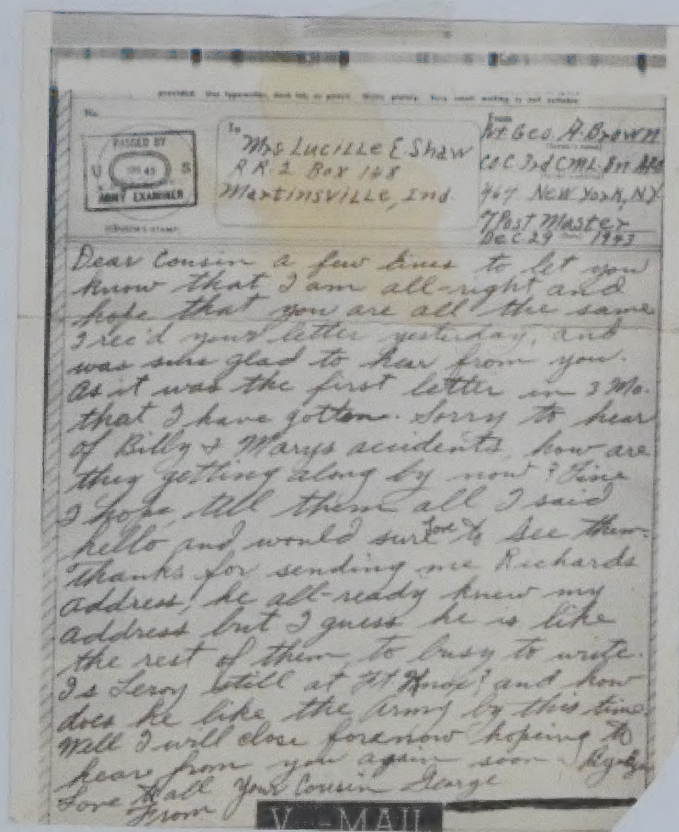
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Pvt Geo. A. Brown
(Sender's name)
C.O.C. 3rd CML. 8th Afd
(Sender's address)
467 New York, N.Y.
Postmaster
Dec. 29 (Date) 1943

Dear Cousin a few lines to let you know that I am all-right and hope that you are all the same. I rec'd your letter yesterday, and was sure glad to hear from you. As it was the first letter in 3 Mo. that I have gotten. Sorry to hear of Billy & Marys accidents, how are they getting along by now? Fine I hope. Tell them all I said hello and would sure ^{love} to see them. Thanks for sending me Richards address, he all-ready knew my address but I guess he is like the rest of them, too busy to write. Is Leroy still at Ft. Knox? and how does he like the Army by this time. Well I will close for now hoping to hear from you again soon. *Bye*
Love & All Your Cousin George
From

V.-MAIL

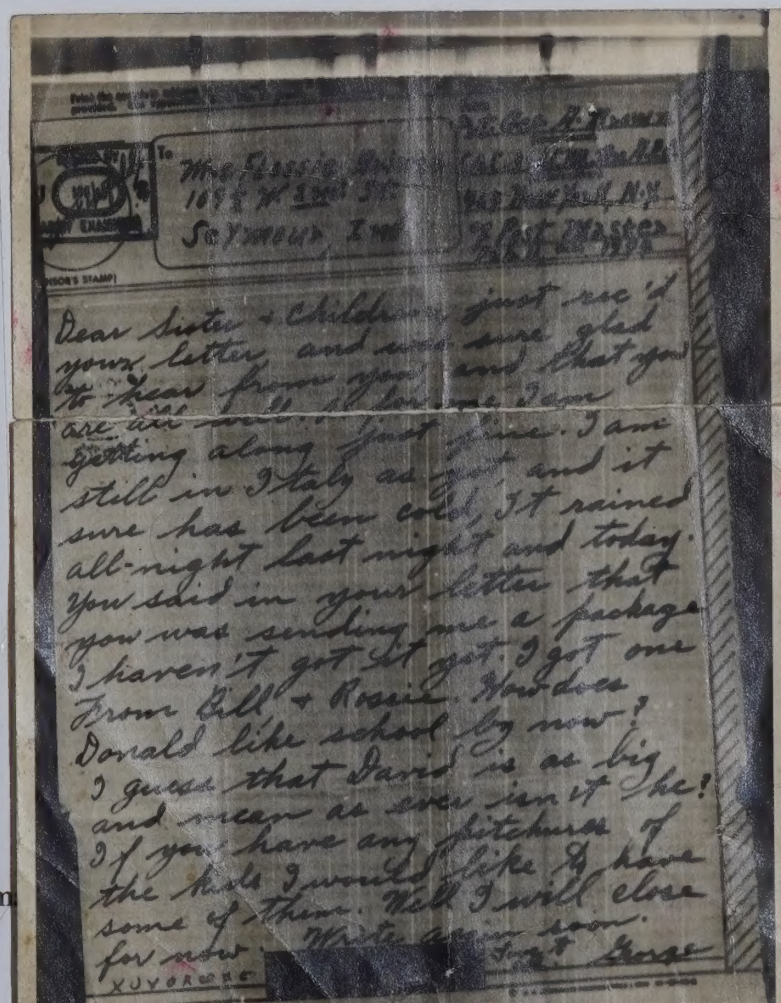
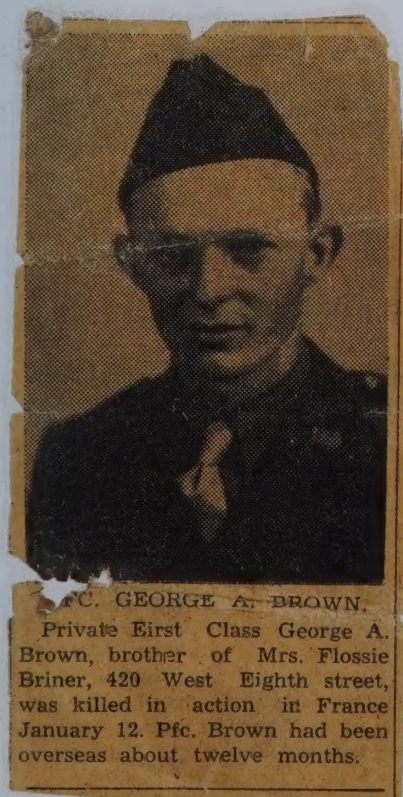
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Mom's Brother George And His Last Letter (WRITTEN TO MOM)



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Loaded with Canadian soldiers, amphibious vehicles of the Canadian First Army are shown moving across the inundated countryside of a village east of Nijmegen, The Netherlands, after rescuing soldiers marooned by floods caused when the Germans dynamited a dyke. (Associated Press Wirephoto to The Star.)

State's War Casualties Include 34 Killed, 48 More Wounded

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The War Department today made public the names of 34 Indiana soldiers killed in action in the European area of war operations, and of 48 more who have been wounded in action, 46 in the European area and two in the Mediterranean area. The lists are as follows:

THE DEAD
 Pfc. Charles M. Barney, La Porte.
 S/Sgt. Russell M. Basham, Mishawaka.
 Sgt. Lloyd Bradfield, Marion.
 Pfc. George A. Brown, Seymour.
 Pvt. Gerald A. Childers, La Porte.
 Pvt. Garland W. Cline, Ottisco.
 Pvt. Francis M. Dittmer, Huntingburg.

Takes Parley Appointment



Navy Cmdr. Harold E. Stassen (left), former Minnesota Governor, tells news conference that he considers his appointment by President Roosevelt to the San Francisco United Nations conference a political liability. "However," he said, "I have not the least hesitation in accepting." (Associated Press Wirephoto to The Star.)

Pvt. Charles E. Felix, Norwell.
 Sgt. Gerald G. Goodrich, Petersburg.
 Pfc. Raymond E. Hanson, Winamac.
 Pvt. John L. Hays, Smithville.
 Pvt. Albert A. Leckman, South Bend.
 Pvt. Orie O. Londermilk Jr., Brazil.
 Pvt. Vincent W. McCann, Guilford.
 T/Sgt. Billy B. McWilliams, Miltown.
 1st Lt. Andrew L. Mills, Thayer.
 Pfc. Samuel E. Mitchell, Valparaiso.
 Pvt. Albert C. Nicoletto Sr., Richmond.
 Pvt. Ralph E. Osborn, Gary.
 1st Lt. Frank M. Platter, Noblesville.
 Pfc. William W. Prince, Bloomington.
 Pfc. William G. Ream, Lafayette.
 2d Lt. Harvey S. Rhub, Greenfield.
 T/Sgt. Orville J. Sarvey, Jeffersonville.
 1st Lt. David W. Schaefer, Lafayette.
 Pvt. Wayne F. Schilens, Ellettsville.
 Pvt. Wendell E. Sedam, South Bend.
 Pfc. Phillip A. Smith, Whiting.
 S/Sgt. Robert A. Stewart, Gary.
 Pvt. John W. Stigall, Bedford.
 Pfc. David P. Voyles, Pekin.
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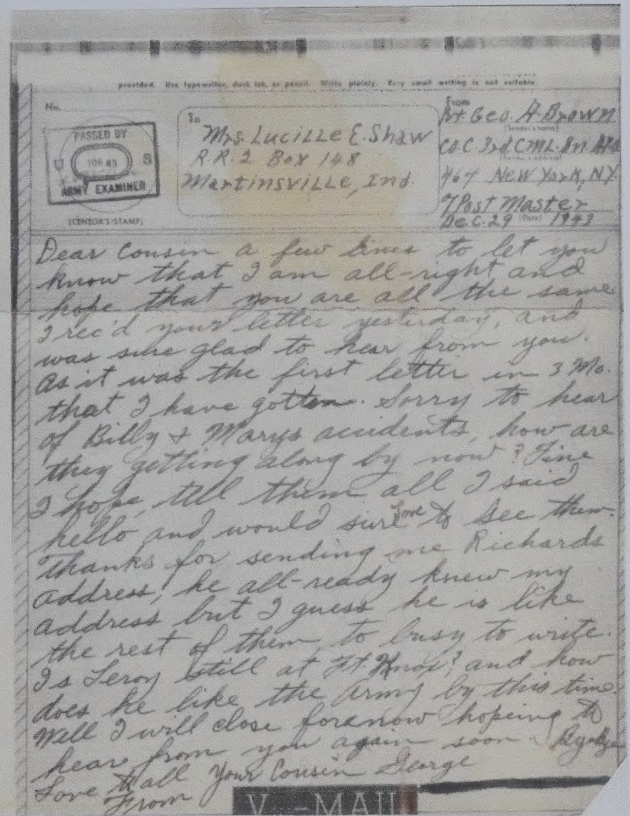
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 Pfc. Eugene C. Carman, Richmond.
 Pvt. Paul G. Cochran, Vincennes.
 Pvt. Orley V. Cooley, Gary.
 T/Sgt. Eugene B. Croucher, Jasonville.
 Cpl. Glen W. Daggett, Union City.
 Pvt. John J. Deccater, La Porte.
 Pvt. Wilbur E. Dikkey, Valparaiso.
 T/Sgt. Donald D. Durkes, Marion.
 Pfc. Adrian E. Doss, Lafayette.
 Pvt. Miller Easterly Jr., Frankfort.
 Pfc. Deiford A. Eaton Jr., Mishawaka.
 Pfc. Elwood Eaton, Lebanon.
 Sgt. Carl A. Estes, Danville.
 Sgt. Joseph A. Frangomeni, South Bend.
 Pfc. Clifford E. Gibson, Muncie.
 Pvt. Robert T. Hall, Ellettsville.
 Pfc. Wayne T. Hendricks, Bourbon.
 Pfc. Tony Jaschinski, Hammond.
 Sgt. Warren C. Jeffers, New Albany.
 Cpl. William C. Jewell, Hammond.
 Pvt. Wayne E. Johnson, Twelve Mills.
 Sgt. William F. Johnson, Michigan City.
 Pvt. Sherman H. Kiser, North Webster.
 Pfc. Aurelius Kraft, Jasper.
 Sgt. Virgil M. Lammott, Richmond.
 Pfc. William A. Leavitt, Brazil.
 S/Sgt. Wayne Linson, Mishawaka.
 Cpl. Harry W. McCormick, New Castle.
 Pfc. John D. McFarland, Portland.
 Sgt. Joseph F. O'Toole, Vincennes.
 Sgt. Charles W. Pasley, Monon.
 Cpl. Keith L. Phelps, Daleville.
 Pfc. Rufus Fardus, Washington.
 2d Lt. Richard A. Ray, Elkhart.
 Pfc. Ralph A. Schand, Evansville.
 Cpl. Robert J. Schuetter, Jasper.
 Pvt. James A. Wray, Muncie.
 S/Sgt. William S. Young, Rockport.
 T/Sgt. Nat H. Youngblood, Evansville.
 T/Sgt. Alvin J. Zihak, Evansville.
 Pfc. Robert W. Murackmieda, New Albany.

Navy Lists 6 Missing

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The Navy Department today listed six Indiana men as missing. They are as follows:

Cadet Daniel Aubrey, apprentice seaman, U. S. Coast Guard Reserve, son of Mrs. Nellie Jeffries, Jeffersonville, and

Thomas R. Holder;
 Co. vs. Chas. W.
 Inc. vs. Sufana.
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 vs. Fred Roland
 Fred L.
 th. Sallie
 yth. Robert
 son. William A. Inget.
 Corpora-
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 Inc. vs. N. W.
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U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946

Name:	George A Brown
Birth Year:	1920
Race:	White, citizen (White)
Nativity State or Country:	Indiana
State:	Indiana
County or City:	Lawrence
Enlistment Date:	10 Feb 1942
Enlistment State:	Indiana
Enlistment City:	Fort Benjamin Harrison
Branch:	Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA
Branch Code:	Branch Immaterial - Warrant Officers, USA
Grade:	Private
Grade Code:	Private
Term of Enlistment:	Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law
Component:	Selectees (Enlisted Men)
Source:	Civil Life
Education:	Grammar school
Civil Occupation:	Tracktor Driver* or Truck Driver, Heavy or Chauffeur or Truck Driver, Light An asterisk (*) appearing after a job title indicates that a trade test for the particular occupation will be found in the United States Employment Service Manual, Oral Trade Test
Marital Status:	Single, with dependents
Height:	66
Weight:	121

Source Information:

National Archives and Records Administration. *U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2005. Original data: Electronic Army Serial Number Merged File, 1938-1946 [Archival Database]; World War II Army Enlistment Records; Records of the National Archives and Records Administration, Record Group 64; National Archives at College Park, College Park, MD.

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Jackson County Health Department
Seymour, Indiana

Date: 20-October-2008

NO. 11901

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Certificate #s 1523862/ GA BROWN

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\$10.00					

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The Sum Of: TEN AND XX / 100 DOLLARS



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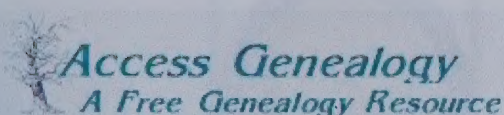
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BARGER CURT L	35364837	PVT	DN
BEACHLER WAYNE S	35369861	PFC	KI
BROWN GEORGE A	35257335	PFC	KI
CHASTAIN GLENN J	35698450	PFC	KI
COBB JAMES E	15045792	CPL	KI
CRAIG KENNETH P	35696784	PVT	DN
CURRY HENRY L	35446318	CPL	DN
DAUGHERTY DAVID	35904108	PVT	KI
DAVIS MARVIN R	15062581	T SG	DN
DOANE RALPH JR	35703113	CPL	DN
DUNCAN GLENN F	T-060321	FL O	FO
EAGAN VIRGIL H	35697949	SGT	KI
EASTON RAYMOND R	35708852	PFC	KI
EVANS WILBUR E	35812811	PFC	KI
FARMER RAYMOND	15043664	SGT	DN
FERGUSON CHARLES F	0-733423	1 LT	KI
FINES LEO	16028437	T SG	KI
FISH EATHEL I	35690930	PFC	KI
FLYNN SPENCER E	35370354	S SG	DN
FREEMAN DALE R	35811567	CPL	KI
FULTZ HARTWELL F	35905804	PVT	KI
GARDNER ROBERT E	35700241	SGT	KI
GEORGE PAUL	15109866	TEC4	DN
GLIMPSE CHARLES G	15082650	S SG	KI
GOLDSBY WILBERT E	35361751	TEC5	KI
GROGAN MARVIN W	6650929	S SG	DN
HENSLEY DELBERT D	35699238	PVT	KI
HENSON DUARD E	35700257	PVT	KI
HUDSON BENNY J	35904284	SGT	DN
ISON MORRIS D	35905809	PFC	KI
JOLLEY WAYNE	35370916	S SG	DN
KERN ROLAND C	35703148	PFC	KI
KINDER WALLACE O	19013109	SGT	KI
KING ESCO F	35686635	PFC	KI
KING RAYMOND H	35696328	PFC	KI
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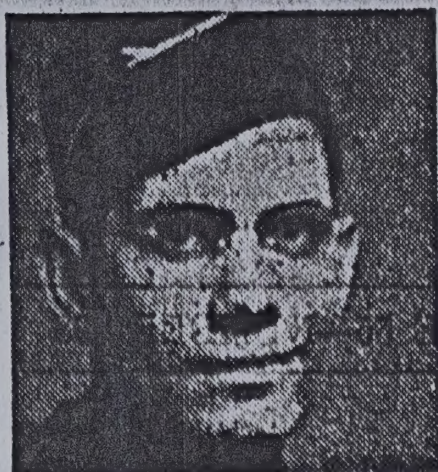
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THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 1945

Rainsford Killed; Six Are Wounded



Robert E. Waltz . . . missing in Belgium.



Pvt. William F. McCreary . . . missing in Belgium.



Pvt. Emerald F. Foster, husband of Mrs. Lorena Foster, 3140 N. Keystone ave., and son of Mrs. Amy Foster, Franklin, has been missing in France since Jan. 2.

Richmond; Pvt. Samuel M. Harlestown.
 Mr. C. Clifton, Osceola; Pvt. Coats, Brazil; Pfc. Henry R. Pfc. John H. Doyer, South n Gr. Dean W. Enmons, Mich- Pfc. Shirley R. Flora, Albany; A. Fox, Lawrenceburg; 2d Lt. Gardner, Evansville; S. Sgt. don, Gary; T. 4th Gr. Leslie Pt. Wayne; Pfc. Thomas A. ayne; Pfc. Jack C. Halmagy, Harvey W. Hawkins, Terre Raymond A. Mojnacki South Raymond L. Holler, South Whit- yne E. Houset, Lebanon; Pfc. Kelly, Marion; Pfc. Fred King, Mr. Edgar H. Maddox, Frank- love G. Maschino, Seymour; attingly Jr., Loogootee; T. 5th J. McKinney, Earl Park; 1st der, Ft. Wayne; Pvt. Varen P. aka; Pfc. Marlin E. Mitner, Monroe, Boonville; Pvt. Billy Shelbyville; Pfc. Gerald W. City; Cpl. Stanley Pouch,

Gary; Pvt. Ralph D. Powell, Hartford City; Pfc. Albert Rambla, Shelburn; Sgt. Tal- madge E. Reno, Muncie; Pfc. Elmer I. Rolston, Decatur; Pvt. Albert C. Sipes, Shoals; Pfc. Ralph R. Smith, Boonville; Pvt. Rufus P. Sommer, Monroe; Pfc. Dale W. Stalter, Decatur; Pfc. Merle O. Thomp- son Jr., Seymour; 1st Lt. Richard H. Turnbull, Frankfort; Pvt. Matthew A. Ventura, Gary; Pvt. Henry C. Vorwald, East Chicago; S. Sgt. Lynn Weatherholt, Evanston; Pfc. Webb W. West, Columbus; Pfc. Arthur E. White, La Porte; Pfc. Robert M. Wilkinson, Boonville; Pvt. Mel- vin N. Williamson, Terre Haute; Pfc. Franklin J. Wiram, Terre Haute, and T. 5th Gr. George E. Wright, Lafayette.

The following Indiana men have been killed in the European area. In all cases, next of kin have pre- viously been notified.

Pfc. Charles M. Barney, LaPorte; S. Sgt. Russell H. Dasham, Mishawaka; Sgt.

Lloyd Bradfield, Marion; Pfc. George A. Brown, Seymour; Pvt. Gerald K. Childers, LaPorte; Pvt. Garland W. Cline, Otisco; Pvt. Francis H. Dittmer, Huntingburg; Cpl. Charles R. Felix, Boswell; Sgt. Ger- ald C. Goodrid, Petersburg.
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Reinstated Killed Six Are Wounded



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Brother To: Flossie May (Brown) Brainer



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 BROWN, GEORGE
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 CATOZZI, SYLVESTER
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Smith, George O.
Speer, Robert E.
Spray, Dallas C. Jr.
Stahl, Robert E. Jr.
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Steltenpohl, Melvin W.
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Thomas, Max V.
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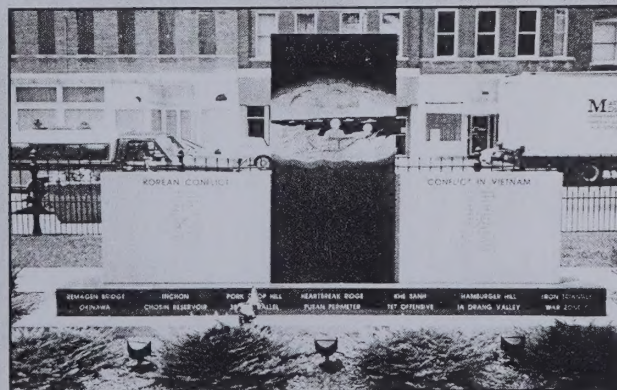
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Brock, Joseph Henderson
Edmonds, Clarence Richard
Farley, James E.
Hawn, Roscoe L.
Holmes, John Ray Shields
Kurtz, Albert Joseph
McKain, Marshall Floyd
Rosemeyr, Earl George
Sutton, Walter John

CONFLICT IN VIETNAM

Branaman, Kenneth Merle
Carmichael, Dale Eugene
Clark, Gary Lee
Clevenger, William Henry
Daulton, William Manson
Goen, Martin Douglas
Guthrie, Thomas Leon
Harrell, James Elmore
Haws, Homer Howard
Laraway, William Dean
Miller, David K.
Reynolds, Jackie Dean
Rothring, Howard Earl Jr.
Stevens, Thomas Arthur Jr.

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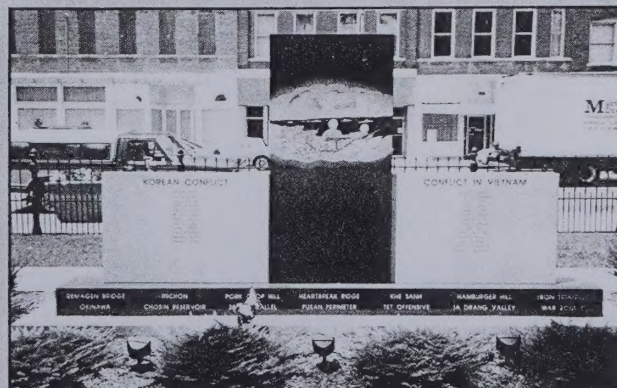
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Ault, Jesse J.
Baker, Carl R.
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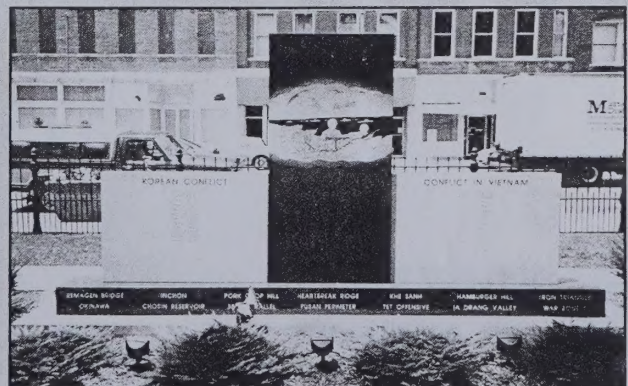
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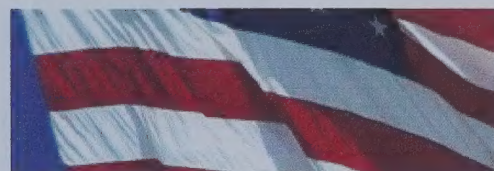
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George E. Brown	Warren, IN	U.S. Army	Huntington County Veterans' Service Office
George H. Brown	Huntington, IN	U.S. Army	Ms. Sharon K. Weathers
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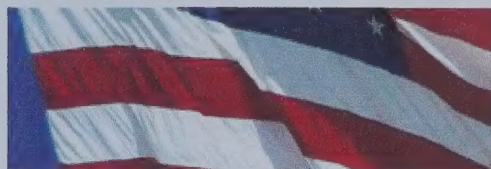
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The War Memorial Plaza Historic District consists of five city blocks containing two museums, three parks, and numerous monuments, fountains, sculptures, and statues. The Indiana War Memorial houses a 28,000 square foot chronological museum, depicting our history from the Revolutionary War through our current conflicts. The Historic District also includes the American Legion Mall, home of the State and National American Legion Headquarters, as well as the Indiana World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam Memorials. Veteran's Memorial Plaza is the site of the majestic Memorial Obelisk and Fountain, while University Park features Depew Fountain and statues of prominent figures from Indiana's history.



Veterans Memorial Plaza & American Legion Mall



University Park

Soldiers and Sailors Monument

Recognized as one of the world's outstanding monuments, the structure has come to symbolize both the City of Indianapolis and the State of Indiana. The Limestone used for the monument is gray oolitic limestone from the Romona quarries of Owen County. It stands 284 feet, 6 inches high, only 15 feet shorter than the Statue of Liberty. It cost \$598,318 in 1902. It has been estimated that building a similar structure today would cost more than five hundred million dollars.

The Commission for the monument construction requested architects to submit design proposals. Of the seventy proposals turned in, two finalists were chosen. Then from the two, Bruno Schmitz of Berlin, Germany received the appointment.

There are a number of art works either built into the Monument, or placed throughout the grounds. Bruno Schmitz brought with him Rudolf Schwarz. Schwarz was sculptor for the statuary groups "War" and "Peace", "The Dying Soldier", "The Homefront" and the four statues at the corners of the Monument that represents the Infantry, Cavalry, Artillery, and Navy. The lower level of the Monument houses the Colonel Eli Lilly Civil War Museum. The

museum portrays Indiana's contribution to the American Civil War, the war that saved the union from being split into two nations and ended the institution of slavery. The Colonel Eli Lilly Civil War Museum gives a glimpse into the lives of the Civil War Soldier at battle and on the home front.



Two hundred thirty-one feet above the balcony level of the Monument is a glass enclosed observation deck, providing a panoramic view of downtown Indianapolis. Visitors reach the observation deck by walking 330 iron stairs or riding an elevator, which takes them to step 290, and walking the final flight.



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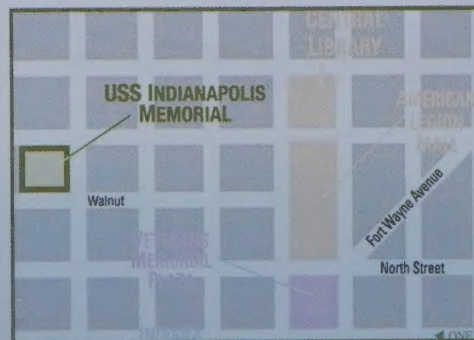
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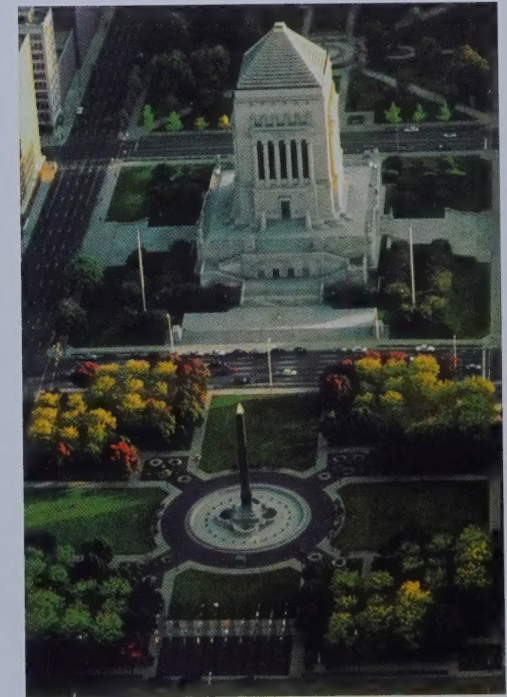
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Located at Senate Avenue and Walnut Street on the north end of the Canal Walk in downtown Indianapolis is the National Memorial to the U.S.S. Indianapolis. During World War II this heavy cruiser delivered secret components for the atomic bomb to Tinian Island in August 1945. On its return voyage the Indianapolis was sunk by a Japanese submarine. Of the 1197 men who went into the water when the ship went down, only 318 survived. The Memorial was formally dedicated in 1995. It is an outdoor site available to the public 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Engraved on the south face of the monument are the names of the ship's company and one passenger who made up the final crew.



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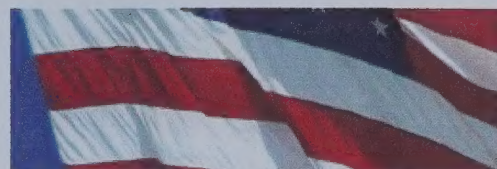
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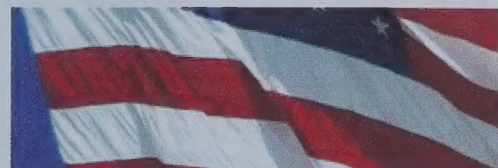
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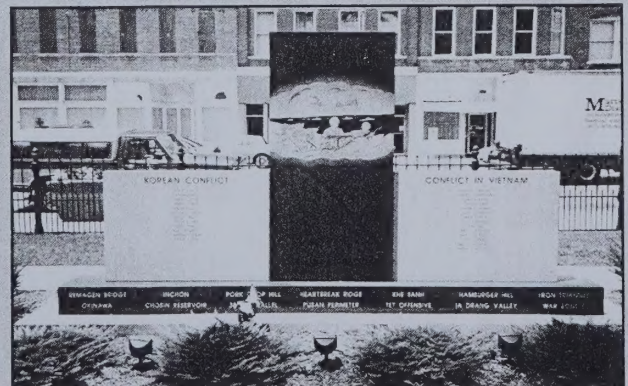
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BAILEY CLADIE A	0-296675	LT C	KIA
BARGER CURT L	35364837	PVT	DNB
BEACHLER WAYNE S	35369861	PFC	KIA
BROWN GEORGE A	35257335	PFC	KIA
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DOANE RALPH JR	35703113	CPL	DNB
DUNCAN GLENN F	T-060321	FL O	FOD
EAGAN VIRGIL H	35697949	SGT	KIA
EASTON RAYMOND R	35708852	PFC	KIA
EVANS WILBUR E	35812811	PFC	KIA
FARMER RAYMOND	15043664	SGT	DNB
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FREEMAN DALE R	35811567	CPL	KIA
FULTZ HARTWELL F	35905804	PVT	KIA
GARDNER ROBERT E	35700241	SGT	KIA
GEORGE PAUL	15109866	TEC4	DNB
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KERN ROLAND C	35703148	PFC	KIA
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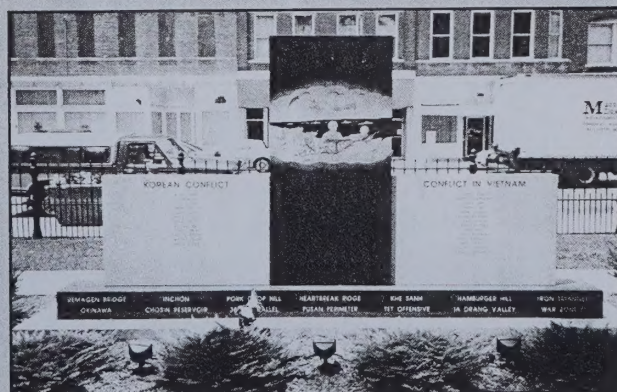
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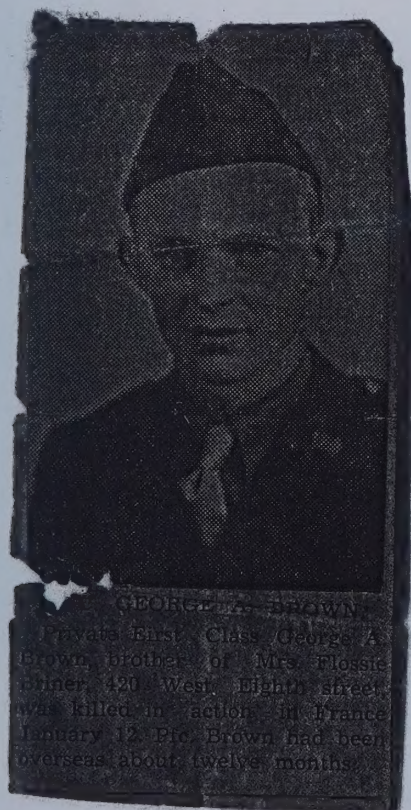
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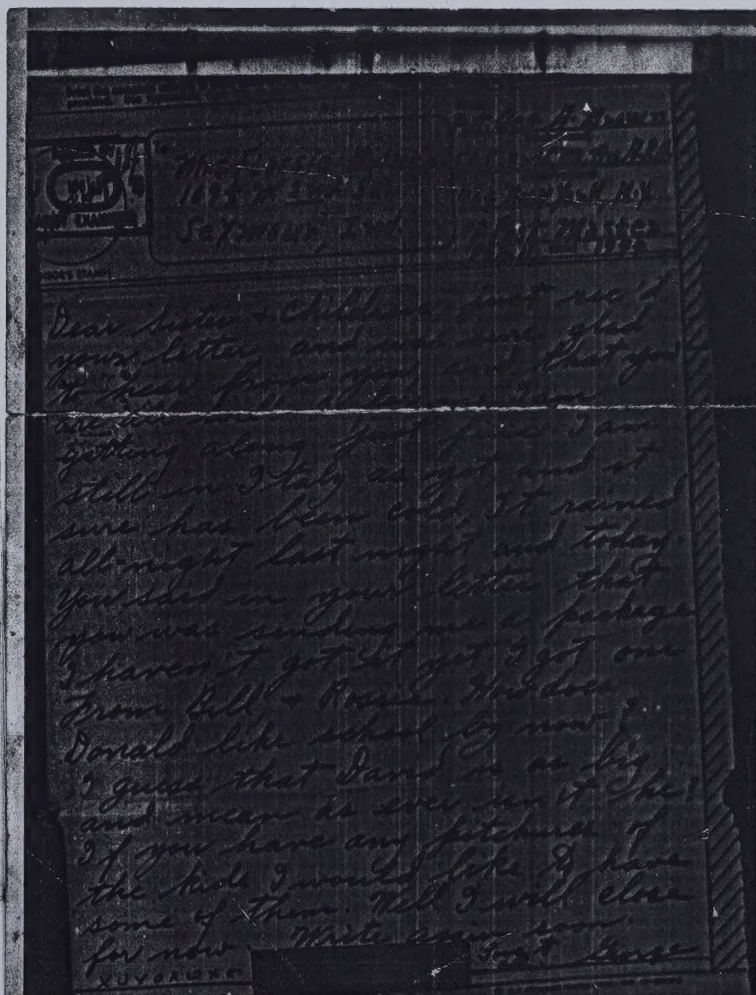
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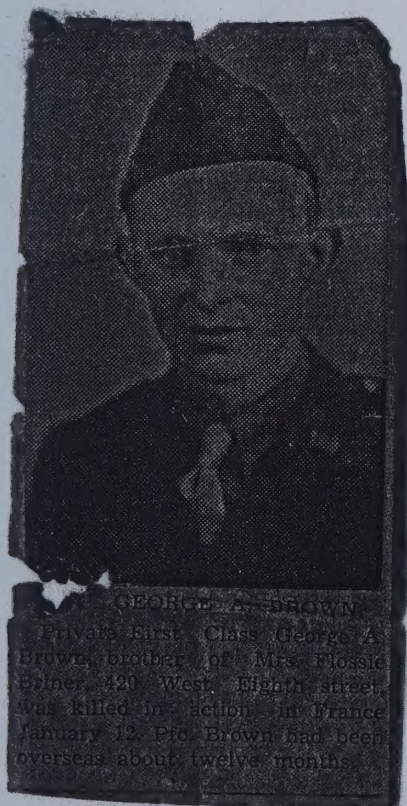
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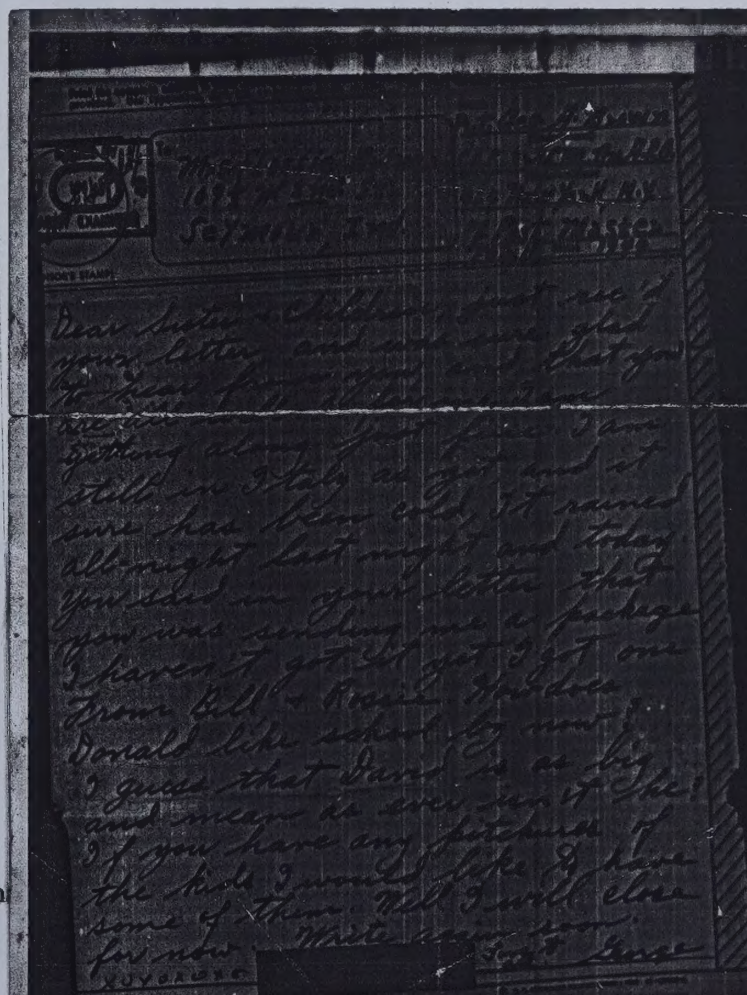
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Honorable Discharge
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Civilian Conservation Corps



TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to Certify That* GEORGE A. BROWN CC5-247234

a member of the CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS, who was enrolled
January 10, 1938 at Camp SC3-5, Lexington, Indiana, is hereby
(Date)

HONORABLY DISCHARGED therefrom, reason of** Par. 1, C&C Memorandum
No. 7, Headquarters, Fifth Corps Area, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, June 1, 1938.

Said George A. Brown was born in Seymour
in the State of Indiana When enrolled he was Seventeen years
of age and by occupation a Laborer (common) He had Blue eyes,
Lt. Brown hair, Fair complexion, and was Five feet
Five and One-half inches in height. His color was White

CCC Co. 2385, Camp SC3-5,
Given under my hand at Lexington, Indiana, this Thirtieth day
of June, one thousand nine hundred and Thirty-eight.

Raymond J. Higgins
(Name) (Title)
RAYMOND J. HIGGINS and Lt. Inf-Res., Comdg.

* Insert name, as "John J. Doe."
** Give reason for discharge.

RECORD OF SERVICE IN CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS

**Served:

a. From 1/10/38 to 6/30/38, under War Dept. at CCC-5, Lexington, Ind.

Type of work Soil Conservation (Laborer) Manner of performance Satisfactory

Type of work _____ Manner of performance _____

c. From _____ to _____, under _____ Dept. at _____

Type of work _____ Manner of performance _____

d. From _____ to _____, under _____ Dept. at _____

Type of work _____ Manner of performance _____

e. From _____ to _____, under _____ Dept. at _____

Type of work _____ Manner of performance _____

Remarks: PROVISIONS OF THE FEDERAL CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS ACT HAVE BEEN READ TO THIS MAN

Vocational Qualifications: Farm Laborer.

F.B.I. fingerprint cards have been forwarded.

Vocational Qualification: Farm Laborer..

HAS BEEN ADVISED OF REGULATIONS CONCERNING
NON-ELEGIBILITY FOR RE-ENROLLMENT 1/10/38

IMMUNIZATION COMPLETED DATE 1/27/38
TYPHOID & PARA-TYPHOID 1/13-21-27/38
SMALLPOX 1/13/38 Immune.

Enrollee notified of ineligibility for reselection for a period of 6 months

Discharged: Honorably, June 30, 1938 at CCC Co. 2585, Camp 508-5, Lexington, Ind.

Transportation furnished from Lexington, Indiana to Bedford, Indiana.

Raymond J. Higgins
(Name) (Date)
RAYMOND J. HIGGINS and Lt. Inf-Res., Comdg.

*Use words "Excellent", "Satisfactory", or "Unsatisfactory".
**To be taken from C. O. C. Form No. 1.

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George A.Brown

C.C.C. Company 2585 Camp # 33

S.M.5, Lexington, Indiana &

Scottsburg, Indiana

(Found at C.C.C. Museum at Highland Hammock State Park, Sebring, Florida)

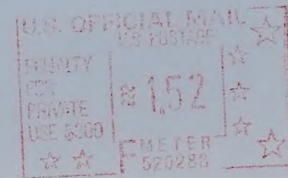
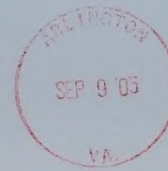
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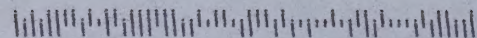
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Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial

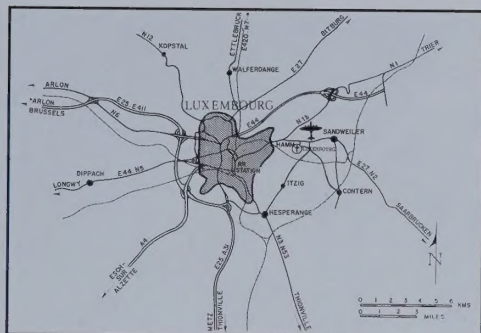


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Altar and Stained Glass Window in Chapel

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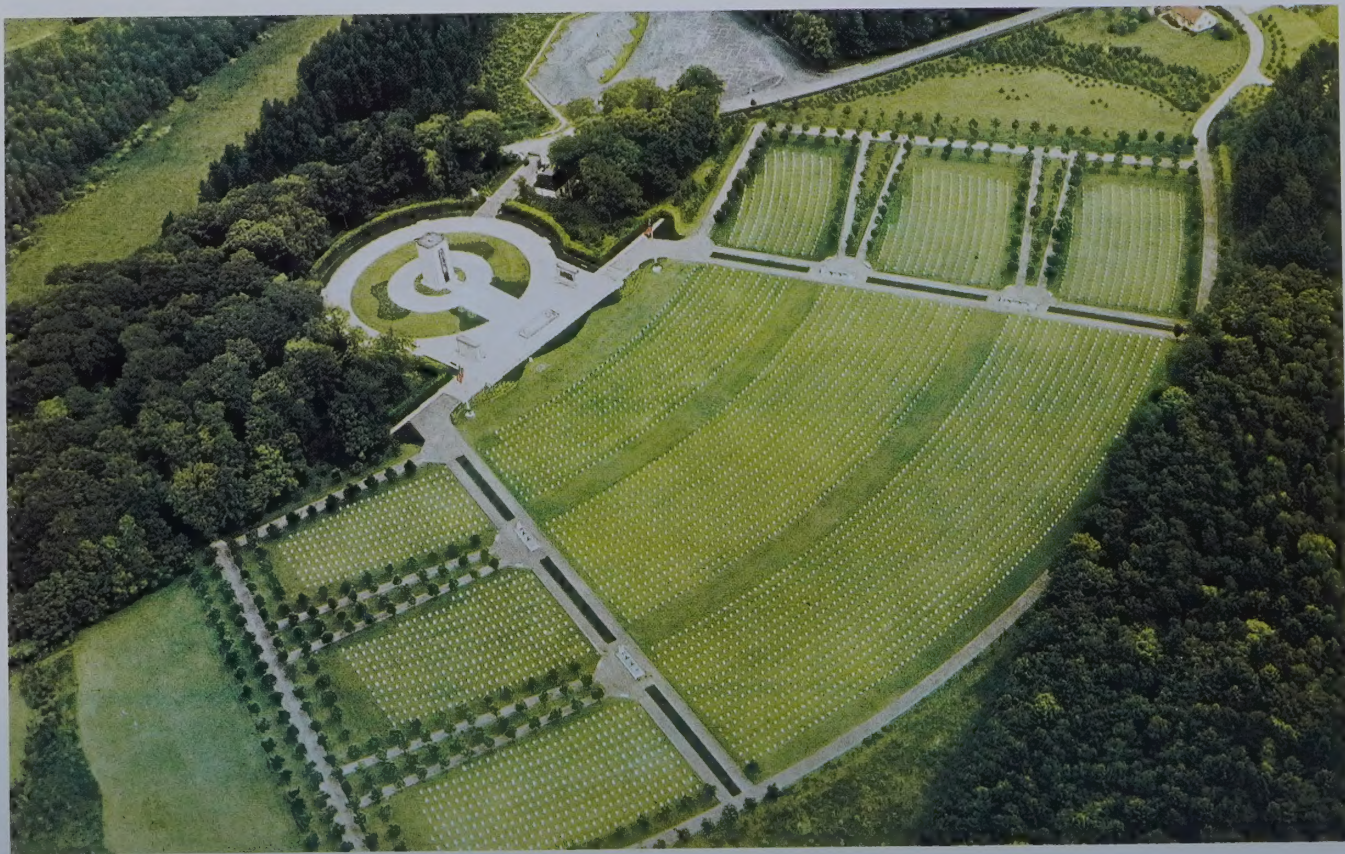
LOCATION

The Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial is situated within the capital city of Luxembourg, 3 miles due east of its center in an area called Hamm. It lies 3 miles/5 kilometers southwest of the airport. The cemetery can be reached by train from Paris (Gare de l'Est) in approximately 4 hours; from Liege, Belgium in about 3 hours. Taxicabs

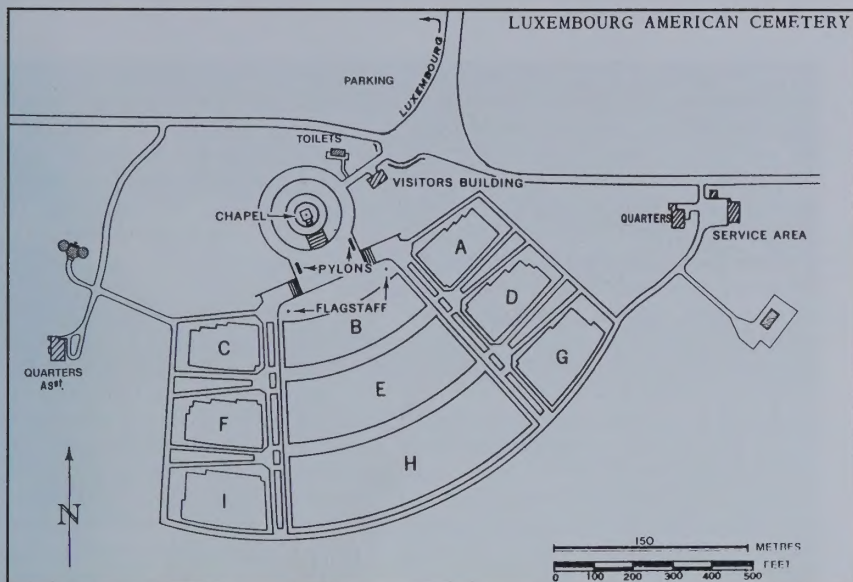
to the cemetery are available at the railroad station. Luxembourg City can be reached by automobile from Paris (206 miles/332 kilometers) via A4/E50 toll road to Metz, then north to Luxembourg City via A31/E25. To reach Luxembourg City from Brussels (135 miles/218 kilometers), take A4/E411 southeast through Neufchâteau where it merges with the E25. Once in Luxembourg City, follow signs to the airport, then



Entrance to the Cemetery



Aerial View of Cemetery



Location of Cemetery Features

N2/E27 toward Remich/Saarbrücken. The road is well marked and passes within 300 yards of the cemetery. The airport is serviced by frequent international flights daily. Taxicabs and rental cars are available at the airport. Hotel accommodations in the city are excellent.

HOURS

The cemetery is open daily to the public between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm. (The cemetery is closed on January 1 and December 25.) It is open on all other U.S. and host country holidays.

When the cemetery is open to the public, a staff member is on duty in the Visitors' Building to answer questions, and to escort relatives to grave and memorial sites.

HISTORY

On 16 December 1944, the enemy in Europe launched his last major counteroffensive of the war. For the location of his attack, he chose the Ardennes Forest where his first breakthrough had achieved such tremendous success in 1940. Prepared in the greatest of secrecy, the plan called for three armies abreast to attack on a narrow front toward the west with Antwerp as its objective. The attack was timed to coincide with inclement weather in order to limit the use of Allied air power. The assault began 0530 hours under the cover of fog and rain and initially was quite successful as the enemy broke through on a 45-mile front. American soldiers resisted valiantly, however, and with heroic effort were able to hold the shoulders of the salient, blocking all attempts to expand the width of the penetration.

Available U.S. reserves were rushed to the scene of battle. At St.

Vith, a furious struggle prevented the enemy's use of its vital road junction for a crucial period. In Bastogne, at the other vital road junction, American defenders clung tenaciously to their positions even though they had been surrounded for five days. Despite a penetration by some units of over 60 miles, the enemy was unable to exploit the breakthrough.

On 22 December 1944, the U.S. Third Army launched a strong counterattack against the southern flank of the penetration. The next day the skies cleared sufficiently to permit the U.S. Eighth and Ninth Air Forces to join the battle and to drop supplies to the defenders at Bastogne. Driving relentlessly forward despite strong opposition and bitterly cold weather, the U.S. Third Army broke through the enemy cordon around Bastogne on 26 December. The U.S. First Army counterattacked from the north on 3 January 1945 and ten days later met with the U.S. Third Army at Houffalize. By 25 January, the enemy salient no longer existed.

In February, the U.S. Third Army drove the enemy from Luxembourg and breached the Siegfried Line. After capturing Trier, it continued its advance, seizing bridgeheads across the Kyll River and launching an attack to reach the Rhine. The U.S. Third Army units north of the Moselle River advanced first, covered by fighters and bombers of the U.S. Ninth Air Force. In just five days, they swept forward to join the First Army. By 10 March, all enemy units were cleared from the west bank of the Rhine north of its junction with the Moselle at Koblenz.

On 13 March, Third Army troops north of the Moselle River turned to the southeast to attack in coordination with the U.S. Third Army troops advancing south of the river. By 21 March, the entire west bank of the

Rhine had been cleared in the U.S. Third Army sector. The next night, in a surprise assault, the U.S. Third Army crossed the Rhine at Oppenheim, a prelude to the final offensive of the war.

SITE

The Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial, 50.5 acres in extent, is situated in a glade enframed by spruce, beech, oak and other trees. It is one of the fourteen permanent World War II American military cemeteries erected on foreign soil by the American Battle Monuments Commission. The site was liberated by the U.S. 5th Armored Division on 10 September 1944 and a temporary military burial ground was established there on 29 December 1944. At the time, Allied forces were engaged in stemming the enemy's Ardennes offensive known as the "Battle of the Bulge." The site subsequently was selected to be the location of one of the permanent World War II American military cemeteries to be erected on foreign soil. Free use of the site as a permanent military burial ground for American World War II Dead was granted by the Grand Ducal government of Luxembourg in perpetuity without charge or taxation. Later, the Grand Ducal government developed a parking area for the cemetery.

After the war, when the temporary burial grounds were being dis-established by the American Graves Registration Service (AGRS), the remains of American military Dead, whose next of kin had directed permanent interment on foreign soil in a cemetery memorial designed especially to honor them, were moved by the AGRS to a permanent cemetery site, usually the one closest to the temporary burial location. They were interred by the AGRS in the distinctive grave patterns proposed by the



The Memorial with Graves Area in Foreground

cemetery's architect and approved by the Commission. Interment of the 5,076 permanent burials in the Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial was completed on 16 December 1949. They represented 39% of the original burials in the region. Most lost their lives in the enemy's Ardennes offensive, the "Battle of the Bulge;" in air operations over the general region; and in the fighting eastward to the Rhine and beyond during the winter of 1944 and the spring of 1945.

Design and construction of all facilities at permanent American military cemeteries on foreign soil were the responsibilities of the American Battle Monuments Commission, i.e., the memorial, the chapel, the visitors' building, superintendent's quarters, paths, roads, perimeter walls and service facilities. The Commission also was responsible for the sculpture, landscaping

and other improvements on the site. Construction of the permanent cemetery at Luxembourg was completed in the spring of 1960; it was dedicated on 4 July 1960.

ARCHITECTS

Architects for the cemetery and memorial were Keally and Patterson of New York City. The landscape architect was Alfred Geiffert, Jr., also of New York City.

GENERAL LAYOUT

The cemetery's parking area comes into one's view immediately after turning south from highway N2/E27. At the far side of the parking area, on the northeast edge of the cemetery, the tall wrought iron entrance gate, each section weighing more than one ton, bears gilded laurel wreaths, the ancient award for valor. The massive



East Facade of Chapel with Dedicatory Inscription

stone pillars are surmounted by gilded bronze eagles. Engraved in relief on each pillar is a cluster of 13 stars representing the original thirteen states. Climbing hydrangea adorn the walls adjacent to the entrance. Inside the gate immediately to the left is the Visitors' Building, laced with Virginia Creeper, resembling a small cottage.

A short wide path leads from the entrance gate past the Visitors' Building to the memorial, where it intersects the circular path around the chapel. Facing southeast, the chapel, flanked by massifs of Japanese holly, overlooks a terrace paved with stone on which are two pylons containing operations maps and the names of the Missing in Action in the region and two bronze frames holding three key maps abreast, depicting the course of the war around the world. At the edge of the terrace adjacent to the graves area is a long bronze balustrade, constructed by the H. H. Martyn Company of Cheltenham, England. The terrace itself is encircled by a hedge and a broad border of

Cotoneaster horizontalis. A flight of steps paved in Vosges stone at each end of the terrace leads down to a flagpole and the fan-shaped graves area beyond.

THE MEMORIAL

The memorial consists of a tall, columnar, square chapel of stone set upon a podium, reached by two flights of steps, and a terrace overlooking the graves area with two pylons and two bronze stands holding key maps. The pylons are faced with operations maps on one side and stone tablets with the names of the Missing in the region on the other. The six key maps depict the course of the war throughout the world.

Set into the granite paving at the center of the memorial terrace in bronze letters is the following inscription from General Eisenhower's dedication of the Roll of Honor in St. Paul's Cathedral in London: ALL WHO SHALL HEREAFTER LIVE IN FREEDOM WILL BE HERE REMINDED THAT TO THESE

MEN AND THEIR COMRADES WE OWE A DEBT TO BE PAID WITH GRATEFUL REMEMBRANCE OF THEIR SACRIFICE AND WITH THE HIGH RESOLVE THAT THE CAUSE FOR WHICH THEY DIED SHALL LIVE ETERNALLY.

THE CHAPEL

The chapel, of white Valore stone from the Jura Mountain region of central France, rises 50 feet above its podium. As one approaches it from the cemetery entrance, a carving in high relief of the obverse of the seal of the United States of America is clearly visible on the east facade of the chapel. Engraved below the seal is the dedicatory inscription: 1941-1945 ☆ ☆ IN PROUD REMEMBRANCE OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF HER SONS AND IN HUMBLE TRIBUTE TO THEIR SACRIFICES THIS MEMORIAL HAS BEEN ERECTED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. On the opposite or west facade of the chapel is a carving in high relief of the coat of arms of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. Atop the chapel is a carillon which was presented to the cemetery by the U.S. Veterans Friends Luxembourg, as a memorial to those U.S. War Dead who made the supreme sacrifice in the cause freedom.

Above the entrance to the chapel on the south face, which is reached by a short flight of stairs, is a 23-foot sculpture of the Angel of Peace carved in Swedish Orchid Red granite. His right hand is raised in blessing and his left hand holds a laurel branch. Above the Angel of Peace is a dove against a cloud. The sculpture was designed by Leo Friedlander of White Plains, New York and executed by Cirila & Figlio of Babena, Italy. Beneath the sculpture on the lintel over the entrance door is carved: HERE IS ENSHRINED THE MEMORY OF VALOR AND SACRIFICE.

The bronze door of the chapel, also designed by Leo Friedlander, was cast



Entrance Door to Chapel

by H. H. Martyn of Cheltenham, England. Each of its eight panels symbolizes a different military virtue or attribute of a good soldier. They are:

Physical Fitness	Fidelity
Proficiency	Sacrifice
Valor	Family Ties
Fortitude	Faith

CHAPEL INTERIOR

The interior walls of the chapel are of Hauteville Perle stone from the Jura Mountain region of France.

Above the door inside the chapel is the inscription: SOME THERE BE WHICH HAVE NO SEPULCHRE THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE. On the west wall left of the entrance is the inscription: GRANT US GRACE FEARLESSLY TO CONTEND AGAINST EVIL AND TO MAKE NO PEACE WITH OPPRESSION. Over the inscription is a roundel containing a latin cross. On the east wall on to the right of the entrance is the inscription: TAKE UNTO THYSELF O LORD THE SOULS OF THE VALOROUS THAT THEY MAY DWELL IN THY GLORY. Over that inscription is a roundel featuring the Tablets of Moses surmounted by the Star of David.



Chapel Interior

Against the north wall opposite the entrance is the altar flanked by United States flags. It is of Bleu Belg marble from southern Belgium and bears this inscription from St. John X, 28: I GIVE UNTO THEM ETERNAL LIFE AND THEY SHALL NEVER PERISH. Above the altar is a tall narrow window of stained glass portraying the insignia of the five major U.S. commands that operated in the region, the 12th Army Group, First Army, Third Army, Eighth Air Force and the Ninth Air Force. It was designed by Allyn Cox of New York City and fabricated by Morris Singer of London, who also made the massive bronze light fixtures. The pews and priedieu of ebony-stained birchwood were made by Patriarca of Rome, Italy. The floor is of four different marbles from Italy, Bianco Carrara Chiaro, Giallo di Sienna Scuro, Nero Assoluto Italiano and Bardiglio Capella. Inset in the floor is a bronze circular plaque containing the thirteen stars of the seal of

the United States of America wreathed in oak, pine and laurel. In the center of the mosaic ceiling is a dove, representing the Holy Spirit, on a background of clouds within a nimbus, held by four angels, from which emanates the sun's rays. At the feet of the angels is this running inscription encircling the ceiling: IN PROUD AND GRATEFUL MEMORY OF THOSE MEN OF THE ARMED SERVICES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WHO IN THIS REGION AND IN THE SKIES ABOVE IT ENDURED ALL AND GAVE ALL THAT JUSTICE AMONG NATIONS MIGHT PREVAIL AND THAT MANKIND MIGHT ENJOY FREEDOM AND INHERIT PEACE. The mosaic was designed by Allyn Cox and fabricated by Fabrizio Cassio of Rome.

PYLONS

The two memorial pylons of Valore stone on the terrace are rectangular in shape. Inscribed on the outer faces of

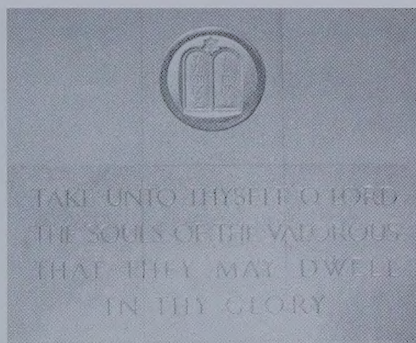
these pylons are the name, rank, organization and state of entry into the military service of 371 Missing in Action of the United States Army and the Army Air Forces,* whose remains were never recovered, or if recovered, never identified. Above the names on each pylon is the inscription: HERE ARE RECORDED THE NAMES OF AMERICANS WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY AND WHO SLEEP IN UNKNOWN GRAVES. These men came from 42 states and the District of Columbia.

A large operations map is set into the inner face of each pylon. The west pylon on the right side of the terrace contains a map of military operations in western Europe from the landings in Normandy to the end of the war. The east pylon on the left side of the terrace contains a map of the Ardennes and Rhineland campaigns to include the "Battle of the Bulge," subsequent fighting to clear the west bank of the Rhine, and the crossing of the Rhine River at Oppenheim. Flanking the map of operations in Western Europe are explanatory inscriptions in English and French of which the following is the English

* During World War II, the Air Force was part of the United States Army.



Mosaic Ceiling of Chapel

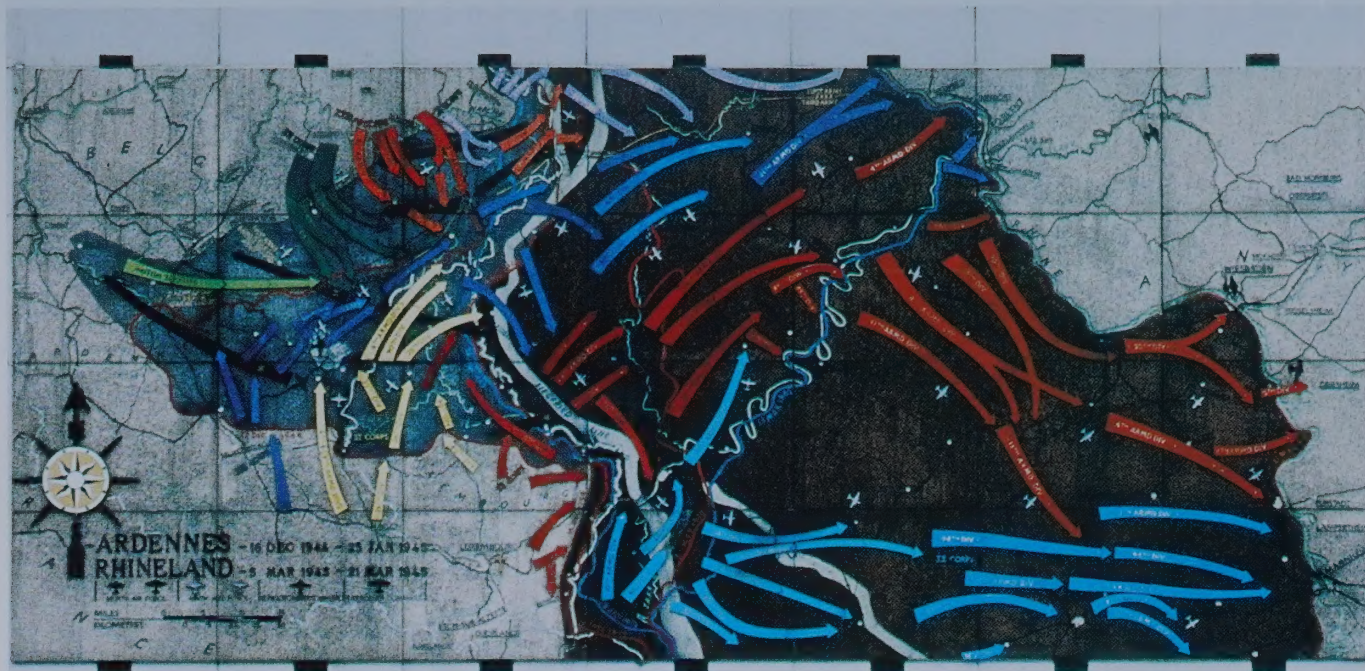


Inscription and Roundel, East Wall of Chapel

version: ON 6 JUNE 1944, PRECEDED BY AIRBORNE UNITS AND COVERED BY NAVAL AND AIR BOMBARDMENT, UNITED STATES AND BRITISH COMMONWEALTH FORCES LANDED ON THE COAST OF NORMANDY. PUSHING SOUTHWARD THEY ESTABLISHED A BEACHHEAD SOME 20 MILES IN DEPTH. ON 25 JULY, IN THE WAKE OF A PARALYZING AIR BOMBARDMENT, THE U.S. FIRST ARMY BROKE OUT OF THE BEACHHEAD AND WAS SOON JOINED BY THE U.S. THIRD ARMY. TOGETHER THEY REPULSED A POWERFUL COUNTERATTACK TOWARDS AVRANCHES. CRUSHED BETWEEN THE AMERICANS ON THE SOUTH AND WEST AND THE BRITISH ON THE NORTH, ATTACKED CONTINUOUSLY BY THE U.S. EIGHTH AND NINTH AIR FORCES AND THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, THE ENEMY RETREATED ACROSS THE SEINE.

SUSTAINED BY THE HERCULEAN ACHIEVEMENTS OF ARMY AND NAVY SUPPLY PERSONNEL, THE ALLIED ARMIES AND AIR FORCES PURSUED VIGOROUSLY. BY MID-SEPTEMBER THE U.S. NINTH ARMY WAS STANDING ON THE THRESHOLD OF GERMANY; THE THIRD ARMY HAD REACHED THE MOSELLE AND HAD JOINED THE U.S. SEVENTH AND FRENCH FIRST ARMIES ADVANCING NORTHWARD FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN. PROGRESS IN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS WAS SLOW, THE FIGHTING BITTER. METZ FELL AS THE THIRD ARMY MOVED INTO THE SAAR.

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Ardennes and Rhineland Campaigns - East Pylon

THE ENEMY LAUNCHED, IN THE ARDENNES, HIS FINAL MAJOR COUNTER-OFFENSIVE ON 16 DECEMBER 1944. PROMPT TACTICAL COUNTERMEASURES AND THE SUPERB FIGHTING QUALITIES OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN HALTED THIS DRIVE. DURING FEBRUARY AND MARCH THE WEST BANK OF THE RHINE WAS CLEARED. IN RAPID SUCCESSION AMERICAN FORCES SEIZED A BRIDGE AT REMAGEN, CROSSED AT OPPENHEIM, THEN JOINED THE BRITISH IN THE MAJOR ASSAULT NORTH OF THE RUHR, SWEEPING ACROSS GERMANY THE ALLIES MET THE ADVANCING TROOPS OF THE U.S.S.R. TO FORCE THE COMPLETE SURRENDER OF THE ENEMY ON 8 MAY 1945, 337 DAYS AFTER THE INITIAL LANDING IN FRANCE.

Similarly, flanking the map of the Ardennes and Rhineland campaigns in both languages, is this explanatory inscription: ON 16 DECEMBER 1944 THE ENEMY MADE HIS LAST CONCERTED EFFORT TO STAVE OFF DEFEAT BY UNLEASHING THREE ARMIES ON A NARROW FRONT. PREPARED IN GREATEST SECRECY AND LAUNCHED UNDER COVER OF FOG AND RAIN, HIS ATTACK IN THE ARDENNES WAS INITIALLY SUCCESSFUL. BREAKING THROUGH ON A 45-MILE FRONT, HIS FORCES PENETRATED OVER 60 MILES, BUT AMERICAN SOLDIERS, FIGHTING VALIANTLY, HELD THE CRITICAL SHOULDERS OF THE SALIENT.

REACTING PROMPTLY AND DECISIVELY, THE ALLIES RUSHED ALL AVAILABLE RESERVES TO THE SCENE. A FURIOUS STRUGGLE DEVELOPED AT ST. VITH WHERE THE ENEMY ADVANCE WAS STUBBORNLY DELAYED. AT BASTOGNE, ALTHOUGH SURROUNDED FOR FIVE DAYS, AMERICAN TROOPS, WITH THE HELP OF SUPPLIES DROPPED BY IX TROOP CARRIER COMMAND AIRCRAFT, MAINTAINED THEIR DEFENSE. ON 22 DECEMBER THE THIRD ARMY COUNTER-ATTACKED THE SOUTHERN FLANK OF THE PENETRATION. THE NEXT DAY THE SKIES CLEARED AND THE EIGHTH AND

NINTH AIR FORCES PLUNGED INTO THE BATTLE. THE THIRD ARMY CONTINUED ITS ADVANCE THROUGH BITTERLY COLD WEATHER, REACHING BASTOGNE ON 26 DECEMBER. THE FIRST ARMY'S COUNTERATTACK CAME ON 3 JANUARY 1945; ON THE 16TH THE TWO ARMIES MET AT HOUFFALIZE. THE SALIENT WAS REDUCED BY 25 JANUARY.

IN FEBRUARY THE THIRD ARMY FORCED ITS WAY THROUGH THE SIEGFRIED LINE, CAPTURED TRIER, AND BY 5 MARCH HAD ESTABLISHED BRIDGEHEADS ACROSS THE KYLL. THE NEXT DAY IT LAUNCHED ITS ATTACK NORTH OF THE MOSELLE. PRECEDED BY AIRCRAFT OF THE NINTH AIR FORCE, ITS GROUND TROOPS SWEEPED FORWARD TO JOIN THE FIRST ARMY ON THE RHINE. THEN, ON 13 MARCH, AMERICAN FORCES SOUTH OF THE MOSELLE ADVANCED; THOSE WEST OF KOBLENZ SWUNG TO THE SOUTH-EAST TO JOIN THIS ASSAULT. HAVING CLEARED THE WEST BANK BY 21 MARCH, THE THIRD ARMY RUSHED ACROSS THE RHINE AT OPPENHEIM THE NEXT NIGHT.

The operations maps were carved and fitted together from slabs of several granites: Rosso Vanga and Verde Svezia from Sweden, and Verde Mergozzo Chiaro, Nero Biella, Rosa Baveno Chiaro, Bianco Montorfano and Verde Blauco from the Alpine regions of northwest Italy. Allyn Cox, an American artist, designed the maps utilizing information provided by the American Battle Monuments Commission. Military data are shown on the map by bronze letters, enamel-bronze arrows and other devices. All engraving was accomplished by sandblasting. M. C. Bargna of Milan, Italy performed the granite work. Stefano Johnson, also of Milan, performed the bronze work.

Carved on the ends of each pylon is a flaming sword under a rainbow, the insignia of Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces. The 48 stars around the capstones



Fountain in Radial Mall



Graves Area from the Rear facing Northwest



*Emblem of Evangelist St. Luke –
Reverse Side of Fountain Pylon*

represent the then 48 states of the Union.

Behind each pylon is a bronze frame with three key maps, one set depicting "The War Against Germany," the other "The War Against Japan."

GRAVES AREA

There are 5,076 American military Dead who lost their lives in the service of their country buried in the cemetery. These honored Dead came from the 50 states and the District of Columbia. In 22 instances, two brothers rest side-by-side in adjacent graves. Among those interred in the cemetery are 101 "Unknowns" whose remains could not be identified. Their headstones are inscribed: HERE RESTS IN HONORED GLORY A COMRADE IN ARMS KNOWN BUT TO GOD. White marble shafts surmounted by a Star of David mark the graves of 118 of the Jewish faith, white marble latin crosses mark the others.

The 5,076 headstones are set in nine plots of fine grass lettered from

A to I. Separating the plots are two malls radiating from the memorial and two transverse paths. Two flagpoles overlook the graves area at its northern end in front of the memorial. Between the flagpoles is the grave of General George S. Patton, Jr. Originally, General Patton was buried with the other men. However, so many people came to view his grave each year that all the fine grass on his and nearby graves was killed by the heavy foot traffic. The problem was solved by moving his grave to the area between the flagpoles and paving in front of it with stone.

Each radial mall contains two fountains consisting of a pylon of Valore stone overlooking three jet pools on descending levels. High on the obverse side of the pylon is a bronze sea shell from which water flows into the pools. Carved on the reverse side of the pylons is a symbol of one of the four evangelists — an angel for St. Matthew, a lion for St. Mark, a bull for St. Luke and an eagle for St. John. The pools themselves are decorated with bronze dolphins symbolizing Resurrection and bronze turtles symbolizing Everlasting Life. Both the carved and the bronze symbols were designed by Nathaniel Choate of New York.

At the southern end of the graves area are three platforms that afford excellent positions to view the cemetery and take photographs.

VISITORS' BUILDING

Just inside the entrance on the left is the Visitors' Building. It contains the superintendent's office, toilet facilities, and a comfortably furnished room with easy chairs where visitors may obtain information, sign the register and pause to refresh themselves. Whenever the cemetery is open to the public, a staff member is



Tablets of the Missing

on duty in the building to answer questions and to escort relatives to grave and memorialization sites. He is always happy to provide information on specific burial and memorialization locations in any of the Commission's cemeteries, accommodations in the vicinity, best means and routes of travel, local history and other items that may be of interest.

PLANTINGS

The cemetery lies in a glade surrounded by woods of spruce, beech, oak and other trees of the forest. Climbing Hydrangea (*Hydrangea quercifolia*) adorns the walls near the entrance to the cemetery and Virginia Creeper covers the Visitors'

Building just inside the entrance. Within the enframement of the cemetery are large-scale plantings of Rhododendrons. A hedge of Beech (*Fagus sylvatica*) and a broad band of Cotoneaster (*Cotoneaster horizontalis*) encircle the chapel which is flanked on either side by massifs of Japanese Holly (*Ilex crenata*). Below the terrace, a border of low-growing Yew (*Taxus baccata repandens*) and Cotoneaster (*Cotoneaster horizontalis*) link the two flagpoles.

Color is provided in the spring by the Rhododendrons in the enframement of the cemetery and in the summer by long planters of Polyantha and tree roses in the radial paths.



Visitors' Room



Visitors' Building and Office



Grave site of General George S. Patton, Jr.



St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, France

AMERICAN MEMORIALS and OVERSEAS MILITARY CEMETERIES

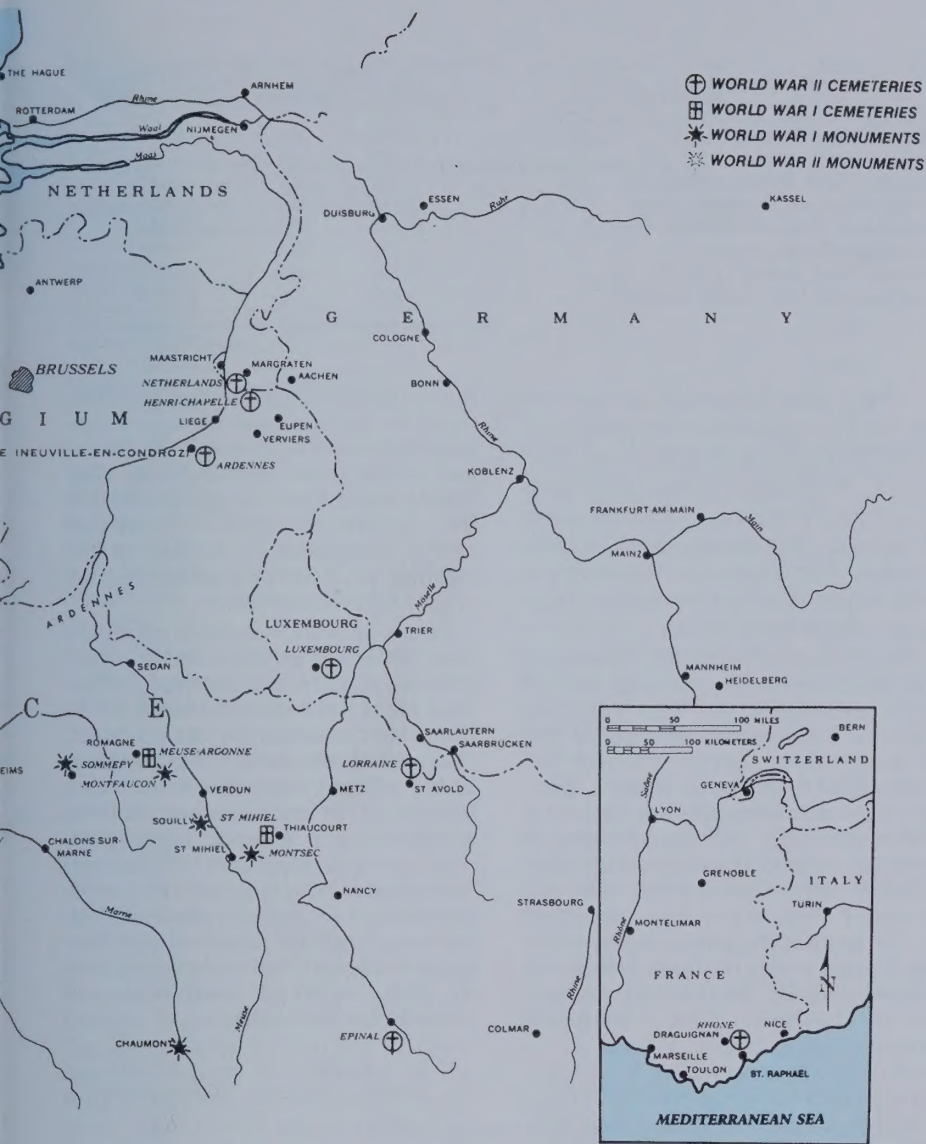
The AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION was created by act of Congress in March 1923 to erect and maintain memorials in the United States and foreign countries where the United States Armed Forces have served since 6 April 1917, and to control as to design and provide regulations for the erection of monuments,

markers and memorials in foreign countries by other United States citizens and organizations, public or private. It was later given responsibility for establishing or taking over from the Armed Forces permanent burial grounds in foreign countries and designing, constructing, operating and maintaining permanent



cemetery memorials at these burial sites; controlling as to design and materials, providing regulations for and supervising erection of all monuments, memorials, buildings and other structures in permanent United States cemetery memorials on foreign soil; and controlling the design of U.S. private monuments

and cooperating with American citizens, states, municipalities, or associations desiring to erect war memorials outside the continental limits of the United States. It is not responsible for construction, maintenance or operation of cemeteries in the continental United States or its territories and possessions.



After World War I, the American Battle Monuments Commission erected a memorial chapel in each of the eight military cemeteries overseas already established by the War Department, as well as twelve monuments and two bronze tablets on the battlefields and elsewhere, to record the achievements of our

Armed Forces. In 1934, the World War I overseas cemeteries were transferred to the Commission by Executive Order.

The names and locations of these World War I cemetery memorials, the number of burials and the number of missing recorded at their memorials are:

<i>World War I</i>	<i>Burials</i>		<i>Missing</i>
	<i>Known</i>	<i>Unknown</i>	<i>Commemorated</i>
Aisne-Marne, Belleau, France	2,038	251	1,060
Brookwood, England	427	41	563
Flanders Field, Waregem, Belgium	347	21	43
Meuse-Argonne, Romagne, France	13,760	486	954
Oise-Aisne, Fere-en-Tardenois, France	5,415	597	241
St. Mihiel, Thiaucourt, France	4,036	117	284
Somme, Bony, France	1,706	138	333
Suresnes (See WW II also), France	1,535	6	974
Totals	29,264	1,657	4,452

World War I monuments erected by the Commission are located at or near: Audenarde and Kemmel, Belgium; Bellicourt, Brest, Cantigny, Chateau-Thierry, Montfaucon, Montsec, Sommepey, and Tours, France; Gibraltar and Washington, DC. World War I tablets are at Chaumont and Souilly, France.

By the end of World War II, several hundred temporary cemeteries had been established by the American Graves Registration Service of the United States Army. During the years 1947 to 1954 that Service, complying with the expressed wishes of the next of kin, and by authority of law, repatriated the remains of some 172,000 recovered bodies. The remainder were given final interment in the permanent military cemeteries on foreign soil, in private cemeteries overseas and in the national cemeteries in Honolulu, Sitka, Alaska and

Puerto Rico (which are now administered by the National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans' Affairs). As was the case after World War I, some remains were left in isolated graves outside of the cemeteries by request of the families who then became responsible for their maintenance.

Fourteen sites in foreign countries were selected as permanent cemeteries in 1947 by the Secretary of the Army and the American Battle Monuments Commission in concert. Their locations reflect the progress of the military operations and were selected with consideration of their accessibility, aspect, prospect, drainage and other practical factors. The World War II cemeteries with number of burials, including Unknowns, and the numbers of Missing recorded at their memorials and at three separate memorials on United States soil are:

<i>World War II</i>	<i>Burials</i>		<i>Missing</i>
	<i>Known</i>	<i>Unknown</i>	<i>Commemorated</i>
Ardennes, Neupre (Neuville-en-Condroz), Belgium ..	4,536	792	462
Brittany, St. James, France	4,313	97	498
Cambridge, England	3,788	24	5,126
Epinal, France	5,186	69	424
Florence, Italy	4,189	213	1,409
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium	7,898	94	450
Lorraine, St. Avold, France	10,338	151	444
Luxembourg, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg	4,975	101	371
Manila, Republic of the Philippines	13,462	3,744	36,282
Netherlands, Margraten, Holland	8,195	106	1,723
Normandy, St. Laurent-sur-Mer, France	9,080	307	1,557
North Africa, Carthage, Tunisia	2,601	240	3,724
Rhone, Draguignan, France	799	62	294
Sicily-Rome, Nettuno, Italy	7,371	490	3,095
Suresnes (See WW I also), France	—	24	—

East Coast Memorial, New York City, New York	—	—	4,609
Honolulu Memorial, Honolulu, Hawaii	—	—	18,096
West Coast Memorial, San Francisco, California	—	—	412
Totals	86,731	6,514	78,979
<i>World War II cemeteries maintained by the National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>			
National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific			(See Honolulu Memorial)
Honolulu, Hawaii	11,597	2,079	—
Puerto Rico	69	—	—
Sitka, Alaska	67	5	—
<i>Other Missing in Action Commemorated by ABMC</i>			
Korean War, Honolulu Memorial, Honolulu, Hawaii	—	—	8,200
Vietnam War, Honolulu Memorial, Honolulu, Hawaii	—	—	2,504

Use of the permanent cemetery sites on foreign soil was granted in perpetuity by the host government to the United States free of cost, rent and taxation. The temporary cemetery sites not selected as permanent cemeteries reverted to the land-owners.

In 1947, an outstanding American architect was selected to design each of the World War II cemeteries, conceiving its grave plots, a chapel and a museum as complementary elements of an integral memorial to the services and sacrifices of the American Armed Services who fought in the particular region. Upon approval of their general schemes by the Commission and by agreement with the Secretary of the Army, the architects' plans of the grave plots were followed by the American Graves Registration Service in making the permanent burials of those remains which by decision of the next of kin were to be interred overseas. The timely cooperation between these two agencies contributed appreciably to the coherence of the development of the cemetery designs.

Beginning in the latter half of 1949, the permanent interments having been virtually completed, the World War II overseas cemeteries were progressively transferred for construction and maintenance to the American Battle Monuments Commission by Presidential Executive

Order. Thereupon, the remaining portions of the architects' designs were carried out, step by step — grading; installation of a system of reinforced concrete beams on piles to maintain the levels and alignments of the headstones; fabrication and installation of the headstones; construction of water supply and distribution systems, utilities buildings, roads and paths; plantings; and erection of the memorials, visitors' buildings and flagpoles.

For design of the various memorials, no specific limitations were imposed upon the architects other than budgeted cost and a requirement that each was to embody these features:

- A small devotional chapel;
- inscription of the names and particulars of the Missing in the region;
- a graphic record, in permanent form, of the services of our troops (WW II only; however, Oise-Aisne, Meuse-Argonne and St. Mihiel WWI American Cemeteries also have battle maps).

These requirements have been interpreted in a wide and interesting variety of forms.

An important motive for the construction of the memorials is the implied undertaking by our Government to record by monuments the achievements of our Armed Services, since the erection of memorials by the troops (which in the past



Cambridge American Cemetery and Memorial, Cambridge, England

unfortunately had all too often been found to be poorly designed, poorly constructed and lacking provision for maintenance) was expressly forbidden by the military services. The permanent graphic record takes the form of military maps, usually large murals, amplified by descriptive texts in English as well as in the language of the country in which the cemetery is located. The historical data for these maps were prepared by the American Battle Monuments Commission. The maps themselves were rendered by experienced artists in tasteful presentation using various media: layered marbles, fresco, bronze relief, mosaic concrete or ceramics. Another feature of interest at each memorial is the two sets of "key-maps": "The War Against Germany" and "The War Against Japan." Each set consists of three maps, each covering about one-third of the period of our participation in the war. By these key-

maps any major battle may be related to the others in time and space.

With each architect, an American landscape architect, an American sculptor and an American muralist or painter usually collaborated. Their combined talents produced the beauty and dignity of the memorials, all of which are dedicated to the memory of the achievements of those who served and of the sacrifices of those who died. The construction of the cemeteries and memorials and the execution of most of the works of art, were performed by local contractors and artists under the supervision of the Commission.

At each cemetery there is a visitors' building or room, with comfortable furnishings. Here visitors may learn the grave locations (or inscriptions of the Missing) at any of the overseas cemeteries.

Each grave in the overseas cemeteries is marked by a headstone of white marble — a Star of David for



Brittany American Cemetery, St. James, Manche, France

those of Jewish faith, a Latin cross for others. Each headstone bears the deceased's name, rank, service, organization, date of death and state or territory from which he entered the military service.

In the World War I cemeteries, headstones of the Unknowns, i.e., those remains which could not be identified, bear the inscription:

HERE RESTS IN HONORED GLORY AN
AMERICAN SOLDIER KNOWN BUT TO
GOD.

In the World War II cemeteries, the inscription reads:

HERE RESTS IN HONORED GLORY A COM-
RADE IN ARMS KNOWN BUT TO GOD.

Tablets of the Missing (which also include the names of those whose remains could not be identified and those lost or buried at sea) give name, rank, organization and state; the circumstances under which death occurred often precluded the possibility of determining the exact date.

With the exception of January 1 and December 25, the cemeteries are open daily. Photography is permitted without special authorization, except when it is to be used for commercial purposes — in such cases, permission must be obtained from the Commission.

Unlike National cemeteries under jurisdiction of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, there can be no further burials in the American military cemeteries overseas except of those remains which may, in the future, be found on the battlefields. Essentially, these graves with their memorials constitute inviolable shrines.

In addition to the eight World War I cemeteries, the fourteen World War II cemeteries, eleven World War I monuments and two tablets, and the two World War II markers (Casablanca, Morocco and Papua, New Guinea), the American Battle Monuments Commission's program of commemoration includes the following:

SURESNES

At the Suresnes Cemetery Memorial, senior representatives of the French and United States governments pay homage to our military Dead on ceremonial occasions. Accordingly, 24 Unknown Dead of World War II were buried in this World War I cemetery, and two loggias were added to its chapel by the Commission, thereby converting it into a shrine commemorating our Dead of both wars.

EAST COAST MEMORIAL

To commemorate those 4,609 American servicemen, 6,185 seamen of the United States Merchant Marines and the 529 seamen of the U.S. Army Transport Service who, in or above the waters off the coast of North and South America, but outside the territorial limits of the United States, gave their lives in the service of their country, the Commission erected a memorial in Battery Park, New York City, upon which their names and particulars are inscribed.

WEST COAST MEMORIAL

Similarly, the names and particulars of those 412 Americans who gave their lives in the service of their country off the west coast of the Americas but outside the territorial limits of the United States, are recorded at the memorial erected by the Commission at the Presidio of San Francisco.

HONOLULU MEMORIAL

Although the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Honolulu is administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the American Battle Monuments Commission constructed a memorial therein, incorporating the features of the memorials in its overseas cemeteries. The names of 18,096 Missing of World War II who gave their lives in the Pacific areas (except the Southwest and the Palua Islands which are commemorated at the Manila Ceme-

tery Memorial) are recorded here as well as 8,200 Missing of the Korean War and 2,504 Missing from the Vietnam War.

The AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES MEMORIAL, located on Penn. Ave. between 14th and 15th Streets, NW in Wash. DC, commemorates the two million American military personnel and their CinC, Gen. John J. Pershing, who made up the AEF of WWI.

It consists of a stone plaza 52 ft. by 75 ft., an 8 ft. statue of Gen. Pershing on a stone pedestal, a stone bench facing the statue and two 10 ft. high walls, one along the south side of the memorial area and one along the east. The south wall contains two battle maps with appropriate inscriptions. Inscribed upon the reverse face of the east wall is Gen. Pershing's tribute to the officers and men of the AEF: "IN THEIR DEVOTION, THEIR VALOR, AND IN THE LOYAL FULFILLMENT OF THEIR OBLIGATIONS, THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES HAVE LEFT A HERITAGE OF WHICH THOSE WHO FOLLOW MAY EVER BE PROUD."

SAIPAN MONUMENT is situated near the beach overlooking Tanapag Harbor on the Island of Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. It is part of an American memorial park commemorating the American and Marianas Dead in the Marianas Campaign of World War II. The monument honors specifically the 24,000 American marines and soldiers who died recapturing the volcanic islands of Saipan, Tinian and Guam during the period of 15 June 1944-11 August 1944.

It is a twelve-foot rectangular obelisk of rose granite in a landscaped area of local flora. Inscribed upon the monument are these words: "THIS MEMORIAL HAS BEEN ERRECTED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN HUMBLE TRIBUTE TO THE SONS WHO PAID THE



Honolulu Memorial (WW II, Korea and Vietnam), National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Honolulu, Hawaii

ULTIMATE SACRIFICE FOR LIBERATION
OF THE MARIANAS 1941-1945."

The **GUADALCANAL AMERICAN MEMORIAL** is located on Skyline Drive overlooking the town of Honiara, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands. It honors those American and Allied servicemen who lost their lives during the Guadalcanal Campaign of World War II (7 August 1942-9 February 1943). The Memorial consists of a suitably inscribed central pylon four feet square rising 24 feet above its base. Four radiating directional walls point toward major battle sites. Descriptions of the battles are inscribed on the walls. Both the walls and the pylon are constructed of Red Calca granite.

CABANATUAN MEMORIAL is located 85 miles north of Manila, approximately 5 miles south of the city of Cabanatuan, Luzon, Republic of the Philippines. It marks the site of the Japanese Cabanatuan Prisoner of War Camp where approximately 20,000 American servicemen and civilians were held captive from 1942 to 1945, after the fall of the Philippine Islands

during World War II. The Memorial also honors the heroic sacrifices made by Filipino servicemen and civilians in a mutual quest for honor, freedom and peace.

The memorial consists of a 90-foot concrete base in the center of which rests a marble altar. It is surrounded on three sides by a fence of steel rods and on the fourth by a Wall of Honor upon which are inscribed the names of the approximately 3,000 Americans who lost their lives while being held captive.

Co-located on the site are the West Point Monument, which pays homage to the 170 American and 6 Filipino graduates of the U.S. Military Academy who lost their lives during the defense of the Philippines or while prisoner of war at Cabanatuan and the Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor (a Filipino veterans organization) memorial which salutes their American fallen comrades.

POINTE DU HOC MONUMENT

Following World War II, the French erected a monument at Pointe du Hoc on the right flank of Omaha



Rhone American Cemetery and Memorial, Draguignan, Var, France



Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne, Meuse, France



Beach, overlooking the English Channel honoring the elements of the 2nd Ranger Battalion under the command of LTC James Rudder who scaled the cliff, seized the position, and defended it against German counterattacks at a high cost of lives. The monument consists of a simple pylon on top of a concrete bunker at the edge of the cliff and appropriate inscriptions at its base in French and English. It was officially turned over to the American government for

operation and maintenance in perpetuity on 11 January 1979.

UTAH BEACH MONUMENT

The Utah Beach Monument is located at the termination of Highway N-13D, approximately 3 kilometers northeast of Sainte-Marie-du-Mont (Manche), France. This monument commemorates the achievements of the American Forces of the VII Corps who fought in the liberation of the

Cotentin Peninsula from 6 June to 1 July 1944. It consists of a red granite obelisk surrounded by a small, developed park overlooking the historic sand dunes of Utah Beach, one of the two American landing beaches during the Normandy Invasion of 6 June 1944.

MEXICO CITY NATIONAL CEMETERY

The Mexico City National Cemetery is at 31 Virginia Fabregas, Colonia San Rafael, about 2 miles west of the Metropolitan Cathedral and about one mile north of the U.S. Embassy. This cemetery was established in 1851 and contains a small monument over the grave of 750 of our unidentified Dead of the War of 1847. In this one acre area there are 813 remains of Americans and others in wall crypts. Care of the cemetery was transferred from the Department of the Army to this Commission on 16 July 1947. This cemetery was closed to burials in 1923.

COROZAL AMERICAN CEMETERY, COROZAL, REPUBLIC OF PANAMA

The Corozal American Cemetery is located approximately three miles north of Panama City, Republic of Panama, just off Avenue Omar Torrijos Herrera between the Panama Canal Railway Company Train Station and the Ciudad Del Saber (former Fort Clayton). To reach the cemetery, turn right on Calle Rufina Alfaro at the Crossroads Bible Church and proceed about one-half mile to the cemetery. Taxi and bus service to the cemetery are available from Panama City. There are 5,189 identified "Known" Dead interred here. In agreement with the Republic of Panama, care and maintenance of the cemetery in perpetuity was assumed by the Commission on 1 October 1979.

KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL

The Korean War Veterans Memorial,

located on the National Mall in Washington, DC, was dedicated on 27 July 1995. The Memorial commemorates the sacrifices of the 5.8 million Americans who served during the three-year period of the Korean War. The war was one of the most hard fought in our history. During its relatively short duration, 25 June 1950–27 July 1953, 33,686 Americans were battle dead; 8,200 of those killed in action were classified as missing in action (and presumed dead), or lost or buried at sea. An additional 92,134 Americans were wounded during the conflict. An integral part of the Memorial is the Korean War Honor Roll, an interactive automated database, containing the names of those U.S. military personnel who died world-wide during the war.

SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC

Upon request, and without cost, the following information and services are provided to family members and friends of those interred or commemorated at ABMC's cemeteries and memorials:

- name, location and general information about the cemetery, monument or memorial;
- plot, row and grave number and, if applicable, memorialization site;
- authorization for issuance of fee-free passports for members of the immediate family traveling overseas specifically to visit an ABMC grave or memorialization site;
- best route and modes of travel in-country to cemetery or memorial site;
- general information about accommodations in the vicinity of the cemetery or memorial;
- arrangement for floral decoration of a grave or memorialization site. (Weather permitting, a color polaroid photograph of the floral decoration in place is provided to the donor).



HERE RESTS IN HONORED GLORY
A COMRADE IN ARMS
KNOWN BUT TO GOD

Decorated Gravesite of a World War II "Unknown"

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Suresnes American Cemetery and Memorial, Seine, France

Luxembourg American Cemetery, at Hamm

By Sharon (Heske) Kennedy, some material from brochures received at the cemetery

During my recent visit to Europe, I had the privilege of visiting the Luxembourg American Cemetery, located at Hamm, Luxembourg. My first cousin, Sgt. Edward W. Hemmerlein of the little southern Indiana town of Dubois, in Dubois County, Indiana is buried along with 5,075 other military Dead, many of whom gave their lives in the "Battle of the Bulge" in which he was killed.

I was able to travel with friends to the cemetery, which lies 3 miles east of downtown Luxembourg City. The cemetery is on 50 1/2 acres, and situated in a beautiful wooded area. There is a small visitor's center inside the entrance gate. There I met the Superintendent, retired Army, Lt. Col., Leland Atkinson. I cannot say enough about the help and kindness shown to me by Mr. Atkinson. He lives on the cemetery grounds with his wife, and has worked there nine years.

He put the name of my cousin into the computer, and then wrote down the area he was buried in so we could go there. (I had hurried out of the car without my file folder of information—my sister, Judy, have previously visited here in the mid 1970s) Outside the visitor's center, a golf cart awaited us. Leland drove down the blacktop walkway of the cemetery—and then across the back, close to the center. There, three rows up, Plot H, Row 14, Grave 25, I saw the white marble tombstone of my cousin. Leland took a bucket of sand from the cart, and proceeded to brush it into the lettering, so that when photos were taken, the name, and other information would show up.

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There was a light rain falling, and it suited my mood—which was somber, but proud. I was very humbled to be in such a place, and had thoughts of my aunt and uncle, and Edward's two siblings and what sorrow they had felt. (they were told he was "missing in action" in April 1945, and his death was verified in August of the same year.)

I was able to purchase a beautiful yellow/white floral display (live flowers—a florist had left several extra) and place it on the grave. Then my party and I walked around to view the beautiful chapel, with the sculpture in bronze and stone, a stained-glass window with American unit insignia and a mosaic ceiling. The two Pylons nearby display colorful maps of the areas of battle in the Ardennes and Rhineland; as well as the 371 names of missing soldiers whose remains were never recovered or identified.

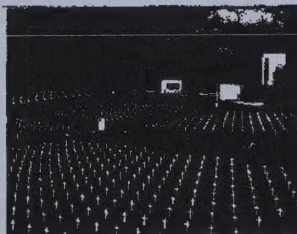
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Among those buried in Hamm, are 118 soldiers of the Jewish faith, whose headstones are in the shape of a Star of David, 22 pairs of brothers, and one pair of close friends buried side by side at the request of their families, and one woman, an Army nurse. An estimated 120,000 people visit the cemetery every year, including over 50,000 Americans.

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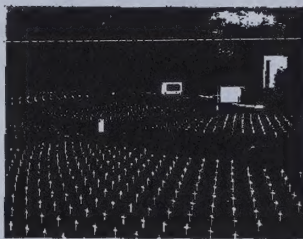
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"LEST WE FORGET!"



CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS FACTS

Duration of Program: April 5, 1933 to June 30, 1942

Nicknames: "Roosevelt's Tree Army," "Tree Troopers", "Soil Soldiers", "CCCs", "Colossal College of Calluses"

Total Men Enrolled: 3,463,766

Juniors, Veterans, and Native American Enrollees: 2,876,638

Territorial Enrollees: 50,000 (estimated)

Non-Enrolled Personnel: 263,755

Average Enrollee: 18 to 19 years old, 147 pounds, 5'8 1/4" tall

Average Weight Gain of Enrollee in First 3 Months: 11.5 pounds

Well-known Actor Enrolled in CCC: Raymond Burr, Camp Whitmore, California

Number of Illiterate Enrollees Taught to Read: more than 40,000

Average Number of Camps Operating in U.S. Per Year: 1,643

Total Number of Different Camps: 4,500

Highest Elevation of CCC Camp: 9,200 feet above sea level, in Colorado

Lowest Elevation of CCC Camp: 270 feet below sea level, Death Valley, California

Camp Locations: Every state in the Union, plus Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands

Total Cost: 3 billion dollars

Approximate Cost Per Enrollee Per Year in 1940 for Food, Clothing, Overhead, and Allotments to Dependents: \$1,000

Allotments to Dependents: \$662,895,000

Number of People Directly Benefited From Enrollees' Checks: 12 to 15 million

Value of Work in 1942 Dollars: 2 billion dollars

Miles of Roads Built: 125,000

Miles of Telephone Lines Strung: 89,000

Miles of Foot Trails Built: 13,100

Farmland Benefited From Erosion Control Projects: 40 million acres

Stream and Lake Bank Protection: 154 million square yards

Range Revegetation: 814,000 acres

Fire Fighting Days: more than 6 million

Number of Enrollees Who Died Fighting Fires: 29

Overall Death Rate: 2.25 per thousand

State Parks Developed: 800

Public Campground Development: 52,000 acres

Mosquito Control: 248,000 acres

Number of Fish Stocked: 972 million

Historic Restoration: 3,980 structures

Number of Trees Planted: between 2 and 3 billion

Number of Conservation-Related Work Days: 7,135,000

Federal Departments Administering the Program: Agriculture, Interior, Labor, War

Total Number of Federal Government Agencies Participating in some Capacity: 25

Unofficial Motto of the CCC: "We Can Take It!"

CCC WORK IN FLORIDA

Enrollees reforested wastelands, developed new recreational facilities, aided in the control of erosion on farms and improved conditions for wildlife. More than 49,000 men from the state were enrolled. An average of 21 camps were operated with a total financial obligation within the state of more than \$34,200,000.

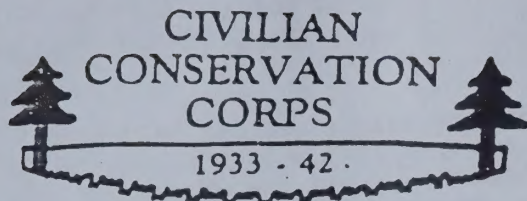
TOTAL OF 73 CAMPS

CCC Camp #262	SEBRING —	06/16/34
CCC Camp #453		10/24/36
CCC Camp #1418		06/12/33

Did You Know?

CCC Facts

- ◆ That the CCC built 46,854 bridges?
- ◆ That nearly 225,000 veterans of World War I got an opportunity to rebuild their lives in the CCC?
- ◆ That the CCC developed over 800 state parks?
- ◆ That over 85,000 American Indians worked in the CCC program?
- ◆ That the CCC built 4,622 fish rearing ponds?
- ◆ That the CCC restored 3,980 historic structures?
- ◆ That the CCC installed approximately 5,000 miles of water supply lines?
- ◆ That 3,462 beaches were improved by the CCC?
- ◆ That the CCC moved and planted 45 million trees and shrubs for landscaping?
- ◆ That before the CCC many states, including Hawaii and Alaska, plus Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, had no state parks?
- ◆ That the CCC planted over three billion trees?
- ◆ That the CCC surveyed and mapped millions of acres and thousands of lakes?
- ◆ That the CCC built 1,865 drinking fountains?
- ◆ That the CCC built 27,191 miles of fences?
- ◆ That the CCC built 204 lodges and museums?
- ◆ That the CCC spent 201,739 man-days fighting coal fires which had been burning since earliest recorded history? In Wyoming alone, the CC saved billions of tons of coal?
- ◆ That the CCC built 3,116 lookout towers?
- ◆ That the CCC built 8,065 wells and pump houses?
- ◆ That more than 400,000 illiterate enrollees were taught to read and write through educational programs offered by the CCC?



Florida and the CCC

The collapse of the land boom and two major hurricanes during the late 1920s left Florida's economy devastated. The State welcomed the New Deal programs. The CCC was the first New Deal agency to begin operating in Florida. The earliest camp was established in Sebring in April, 1933. An abandoned nightclub served as the camp's headquarters. A total of eighty-six camps operated in Florida. Thirteen were African American camps, and two were Native American (Seminole) camps.

The destructive Labor Day hurricane on September 2, 1935, struck the upper Florida Keys where three CCC camps were located. The storm killed 228 enrollees. Most of the men were World War I veterans.

The CCC left a significant legacy in Florida. In nine years, enrollees planted 18,924,000 trees, constructed 3,620 miles of trails and roads, built 2,736 bridges, spent 97,993 worker-days fighting fires, and developed eight state parks. The CCC employed 49,014 Floridians. Enrollees' families were allotted \$11,037,142.



Eight CCC State Parks

In 1935, the State legislature formally established the state park system to benefit from the CCC program. Acquisition of property for parks and establishment of CCC camps became a high priority for the newly created Florida Park Service.

These eight parks developed by the CCC marked the beginning of the state park system. When you visit the parks, you will see the rustic style construction and the craftsmanship that characterize the CCC's work:

- 1 Highlands Hammock, in Sebring** - The CCC constructed the concession building, visitor center, roads, and bridges.
- 2 Myakka River, in Sarasota** - The CCC constructed the visitor center, cabins, picnic pavilions, and roads.
- 3 Hillsborough River, in Thonotosassa** - The CCC constructed the suspension bridge, picnic pavilions, and visitor center.
- 4 Gold Head Branch, in Keystone Heights** - The CCC constructed cabins, pavilion, bathhouse, roads, and camping area.
- 5 O'Leno, in High Springs** - The CCC constructed the log pavilion, fire tower training building, and suspension bridge.
- 6 Fort Clinch, in Fernandina Beach** - The CCC performed restoration work on the fort, and constructed the visitor center, roads, and camping area bathhouse.
- 7 Torreya, in Bristol** - The CCC relocated the Gregory House, and constructed the barracks building, stone bridge, and trails.
- 8 Florida Caverns, in Marianna** - The CCC excavated the tour cave, and built the visitor center and roads.

THE CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS
at HIGHLANDS HAMMOCK STATE PARK

Long lines of people wait for soup at the local mission kitchens, "Apple Annies" sell apples on almost every street corner for 5¢. Millions are out of work and have little prospect of getting work. Herbert Hoover has been President and his administration has suffered with the economic problems of the country since before the Stock Market Crash of 1929. This "Economic Depression" is not confined to the U.S., but plagues the whole world, and will last till the beginning of World War II in 1939, and will last somewhat later in the U.S. when we finally enter the War.

In 1932, Franklin D. Roosevelt was elected President and took over a country economically and psychologically on the brink of ruin. Two resources especially were being wasted he felt, one the land through misuse and destructive abuse of natural resources and the country's manpower through idleness.

As Governor of New York and before, FDR had always been a champion of the Conservation Movement of the early 20th century and he brought this attitude with him to the White House. One of the very first measures FDR undertook to save the land and to put the manpower back to work was to form what would become known as the Civilian Conservation Corps or CCC. The object was to put idle young men back to work and at the same time initiate conservation projects to save the public lands.

With the cooperation of the U.S. Army, National Park Service, and the U.S. Forest Service, the President, almost personally organized and started the CCC. The Army was to supply and administer the camps to be set up to house the volunteers, while the National Park Service and the Forest Service were to determine and be in charge of the places and projects to be worked on by the CCC. These projects ranged from building state parks to clearing snow from mountain roads, soil conservation to planting trees in areas that had been clear-cut.

Young men signed up for 2 years at about \$25/month, most was sent back to the families, which was another way for the government to get money back into the economy. The volunteers were provided with housing in camps, work clothing, medical and dental care, and food. They were given instruction on the job and in the classroom to learn labor skills such as carpentry, masonry, electrical work, road building and other skills that would build a skilled labor force for the future, because FDR knew the "Depression" would not last forever and the U.S. would need this skilled labor to build the country into a world industrial power.

As it turned out these men became the backbone of the U.S. War effort. Most went into the military where their skills were valuable, but many also used those skills here at home in the industries building war materials and to rebuild after the War.

In Highlands Hammock State Park, as in many State and National Parks, Forests, Refuges, and other public lands, a CCC Camp was started in 1933. At that time the present Park was a City Park for Sebring with very little development as well as small in size. The CCC built most of the buildings, roads, bridges, and many of the trails you see today in the Park. Until the CCC came to Florida there was no organized Florida Park Service. Many other state park systems also owe their existence to the CCC. Originally the plan was to build these parks in many states and incorporate them into the National Park System as local satellites of larger Parks, but that plan never matured.

These young men's contributions and work during a bleak period of American History is still being recognized. Many areas where the CCC worked have put up plaques to honor them. Alumni associations and reunions have formed so former CCC members can communicate with each other and those of younger generations. Many of the records of the CCC have been destroyed and a verbal history is our only source of information. These reunions take place all over the country, including Highlands Hammock State Park and several other Florida State Parks.

Highlands Hammock holds a CCC Festival in the fall of each year. Please contact

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The history of Highlands Hammock as a park started in the early 1900's with the founding of the Florida Tropical Park Society. This Organization was dedicated to establishing a park system in Florida. They tried in 1915 to start a park in Dade County, called Royal Palm State Park, it did not survive the unstable economy of the times. In the 1920's the Florida Tropical Parks Society tried again and narrowed the search down to a tract of land known as Hookers Hammock at Sebring.

In the 1920's Mr. Rex Beach, the internationally known author, became the president of the Tropical Parks Society. With his influence and social contacts, he was able to enlist the help of people like Mrs. Margaret Shippen Roebling.

She came from a well known family in New Jersey. Her Father-in-law built the Brooklyn Bridge in New York City and her husband designed the wire wrapping machine that made it possible to build the Golden Gate Bridge at San Francisco, Ca.

Mrs. Roebling was building a home, south of Lake Placid that she called "Red Bluffs", when she became involved with the development of the park. She donated \$25,000 to go with the amount the Tropical Park Society had raised to purchase the land. Then she hired a civil engineer from Camden New Jersey, Mr. Alexander Blair, to design the park. Also the first 11 workers were hired to construct the park.

Construction began in 1931 and the park was renamed Highlands Hammock. The project was financed by public subscription, with Mrs. Roebling providing more monies as

needed.

The biggest problem facing the project was the Great Depression that was ravishing America at the time. People were either out of work or afraid that their jobs would also be lost. Under these conditions construction funds were difficult to raise.

President Franklin Roosevelt to combat the results of the depression, started a whole series of work projects to put people back to work. One of these was the Civilian Conservation Corp, it was designed for young men between 18 and 23 years of age. They took over the construction of Highlands Hammock in 1933. Work continued till November 1941, just one month before America forces entered World War II. An enrollee in the CCC earned \$30.00 a month, of which the administration of the project sent \$25.00 home to their families. They lived a military style life in the CCC. They lived in barracks, ate in mess halls and for clothes wore leftover WW I uniforms.

The CCC was an organization set up to put people to work, so if it was possible to put more people to work instead of buying more machines, they would. At Highlands Hammock the CCC limited their major power equipment to a saw mill, for cutting lumber, a drag line, for excavation and a tractor pulled road grader for grading and maintaining the roads in the park.

In 1935 the Florida Legislature set up the Department of State Parks, to be administered by the Board of Forestry. The original maintenance staff, hired by Mrs. Roebling, became among the first Park Rangers in Florida parks.

The year 1941 brought many changes, the CCC closed their camp and Mrs. Roebling's family turned over the financial responsibility for the park to the State of Florida.

This brought a close to the first chapter in the history of Highlands Hammock State Park.

The Civilian Conservation Corp built several other parks in Florida during the 1930's. These parks and Highlands Hammock became the beginning of Florida Park Service.

History of Florida Park Service

1872 First National Park created, "Yellowstone"

1901 Legislature created a commission to select a site and raise funds for Olustee monument.

1915 Legislature gave 1 1/2 sections of land in Dade County to the Florida Woman's Club to be maintained as a public park. It was called Royal Palm State Park and is now a part of Everglades National Park.

1933 Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) created by the Federal Government to employ young men to improve state owned properties.

1935 Legislature authorized the

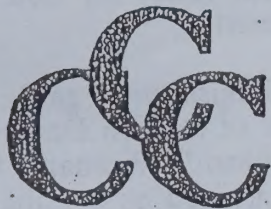
Board of Forestry to set up a Department of State Parks.

1941 Agency name changed to Board of Forestry and Parks which had jurisdiction over the Florida Forest Service and the Florida Park Service.

1949 The Collins Bill (Chapter 258) created the Florida Board of Parks and Historical Memorials.

1953 1 Million Visitors.

1969 Government consolidation and reorganization created the Division of Recreation and Parks under the Department of Natural Resources.



This pamphlet is provided courtesy of the Park Staff and paid for by our Citizens Support Organization(CSO).

The Highlands Hammock State Park CSO, Inc. is a citizen's support organization whose role is one of advocacy for historical, educational and ecological enhancement of Highlands Hammock State Park.

If you are interested in helping the park or want more information on this not-for-profit organization please contact the park or CSO:

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Lifetime Member \$ 500

Charter Member \$ 150

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Family Member \$ 25

Individual Member \$ 15

Please send this application along with your donation to :

Highlands Hammock State Park
CSO

5931 Hammock Rd.
Sebring, Fl. 33872

Highlands Hammock State Park



The First 10 Years

1931 to 1941

We Need Your Membership

Friends of Highlands Hammock State Park

Our purpose is to promote a partnership between the community and our local state park, Highlands Hammock.

The partnership is multi-faceted including:

- Promoting use and enjoyment of the park through better public awareness of what our Highlands Hammock State Park has to offer: environmental programs, park facilities including - camping , picnicking, hiking, bike riding, horse trails, and wildlife education
- Assist the park management in obtaining goals and objectives.
- Fund raising to provide additional amenities throughout the park
- Hands-on assistance to the park management in facility maintenance, resource management, interpretive programs, and recycling

Your support is needed. The environment of Highlands Hammock State Park benefits directly through your active participation. To be a member and contribute to this effort, please complete the membership information form.

Member Benefits

- Two membership outings per year
- Copy of *The Real Florida Magazine*
- Special tour of any new properties
- 12 free family days per year
- Quarterly newsletter
- Opportunity to attend annual state CSO meeting
- Contribute to the community through special events

Membership Application

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Yes, I would like to help the park!

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This 4,694-acre park was acquired and opened to the public in 1931 through the efforts of local citizens. When the Florida Park Service was created in 1935 Highlands Hammock became one of Florida's first parks.

The park provides ranger led tours, camping, eight nature trails, day use horse trails, bike trails, picnic areas, and many other features that it's visitors can enjoy.

The Friends of Highlands
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HIGHLANDS HAMMOCK WALKING TRAILS

ALLEN ALTVATER TRAIL

2,960 feet / 30 minute walk. This trail takes you through the Pine Flatwoods area east of the main campground. The key point of the trail is to teach the importance of Ecological Burning.

WILD ORANGE GROVE TRAIL

2,929 feet / 30 minute walk. Beginning behind the Hammock Inn, this trail blends Pine Flatwoods with Bayhead and Young Hammock plant communities. Key points on the trail are the Wild Orange trees and their blossoms.

ALEXANDER BLAIR BIG OAK TRAIL

975 feet / 15 minute walk. The shortest of our nine trails hosts one of the largest trees in the park. The Big Oak is the key point of the trail. At more than 1,000 years old, this giant Live Oak measures 36 feet around the trunk of the tree.

HICKORY TRAIL

2,196 feet / 30 minute walk. Connecting with the Fern Garden Trail, this beautiful trail's key points include the Pignut Hickory trees and the catwalk which starts from the Big Oak Trail.

RICHARD LIEBER MEMORIAL TRAIL *

1,791 feet / 25 minute walk. At the start of this trail, you'll find the 1,000 year old Live Oak known as the "oldest living thing in the hammock" according to the park history books. This is one of three boardwalk trails in the park. This one goes through a hardwood swamp.

YOUNG HAMMOCK TRAIL

2,954 feet / 30 minute walk. Fire's effect on nature is the key point of the Young Hammock trail. Its importance is taught to you with the help of the trail guides at the start of the trail. Succession from Pine Flatwoods to a Hammock community is evident on this trail.

CYPRESS SWAMP TRAIL *

2,355 feet / 30 minute walk. Sometimes called "The Catwalk", this is the most popular trail in our park. Numerous key points include the variety of plants, birds, and wildlife. The Charlie Bowlegs Creek runs through the west side of the park, and the boardwalk allows access through this natural community.

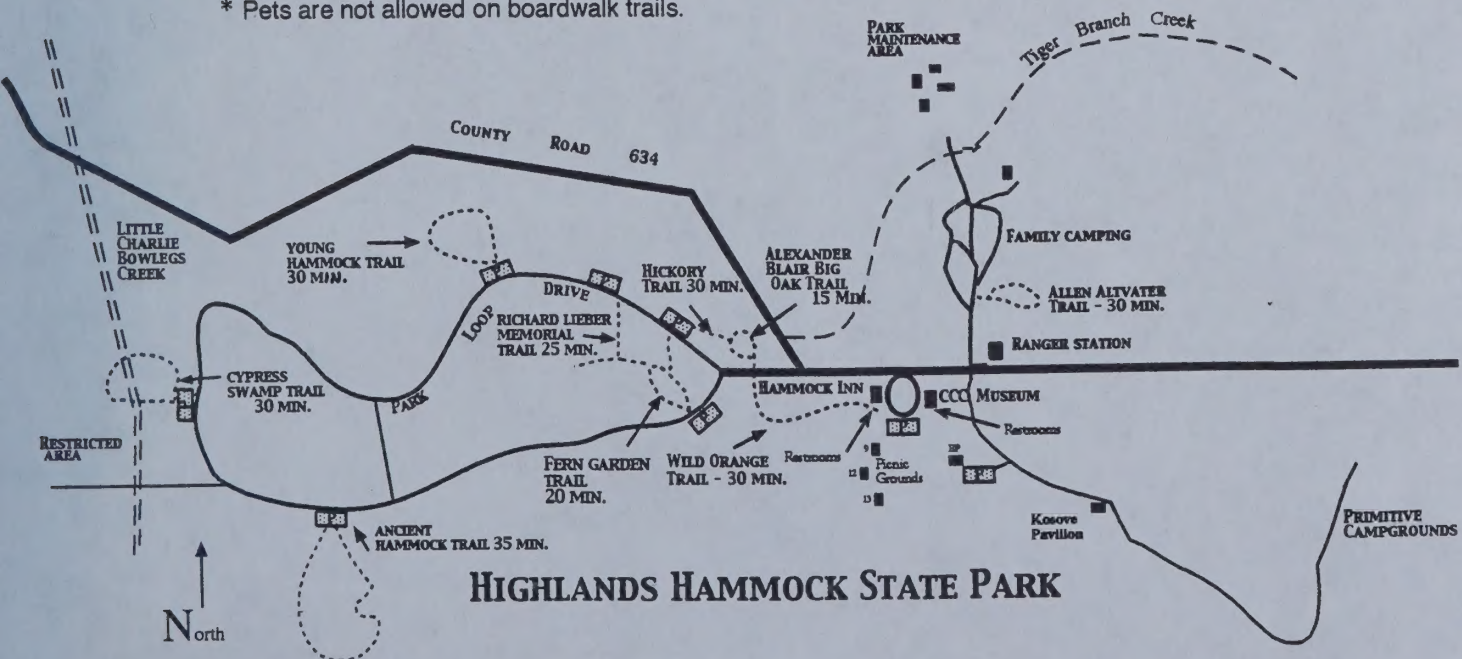
ANCIENT HAMMOCK TRAIL

3,005 feet / 35 minute walk. Our longest trail takes you through the oldest section of the hammock. The large, wide variety of trees and plants, as well as the Civilian Conservation Corps bridge are this trail's key points. Be sure to stop and read "The Prayer Of The Woods" located by the bridge.

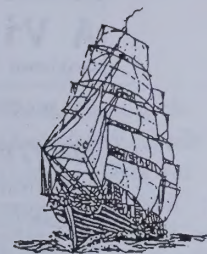
FERN GARDEN TRAIL *

1,641 feet / 20 minute walk. Another boardwalk trail, this trail takes you through a hardwood swamp area. Chances are good you can find alligators on this trail. The key point of this trail would definitely be the female alligator who's been living there for years.

* Pets are not allowed on boardwalk trails.



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A Visit with my German Family

by Sharon (nee Heeke) Kennedy

Records indicate that my Great-great Grandfather, Bernard "Heinrich" Heeke had emigrated from Prussia, and landed at Baltimore on 7, September 1837. "Henry" settled near Jasper, Dubois County, Indiana.

On the Passenger list, I found about eighteen individuals who had all listed (Wohnort—place of residence) the city of Rheine in northwestern Westfalen, including my ancestor.

I had the baptismal record for Bernard "Henry" from the church records filmed by LDS, which noted he was born in the nearby village of Rodde on 20, April 1805 (name/date also noted in Beiträge zur Westfälischen Familienforschung—a book on emigration.)

In August 1989 I asked Ohio Palatine member, Ernie Thode to check for addresses of Heekes in the Rheine/Rodde area. He sent me a letter with about 25 names. I wrote to one man who had the same name as my ancestor, stating that I was looking for anyone related to my family.

In December 1989, I was delighted to receive a letter from Silvia Heeke (pron Heek-a in

Germany), the daughter of Heinrich Heeke of Rodde. She expressed surprise at hearing from me—but began immediately to search the local records for family information to see if we were related! —————

Silvia later wrote that the old church registers in Münster listed Joan Gerhard Heeke and Anna Catharina Jütte married 28, October 1798. Their son, Bernhard Hermann Heeke b. 1814, d. 1865 and left 5 dependent children. One of those children was Silvia's great-grandfather, Bernhard-Heinrich Heeke, b. 1852.

My ancestor, Joannes Bernard "Heinrich" Heeke b. April 1805 was also the son of Gerhard Heeke and Catherina Jütte. (The church record also noted "Jütte" written next to Gerhard Heeke's last name. —————

Silvia wrote at the time—"often our family is called Jütte. Till today we didn't know why? But now we got the solution. It was the maiden name of Anna Catharina Heeke and had its roots in 1798."

(The custom of a husband taking the name of his wife's family (as I understand—when she

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Fall Chapter Conference, October 14th

"Combining a Family History Project with a DNA Study" and "What is the Role of a DNA Family Historian?" These are the topics that lecturer, Denise Mortorff will discuss at the Indiana Chapter Fall Conference to be held on Saturday, **October 14, 2006** at the Indiana State Library.

The programs will begin at 9:00 a.m. and con-

clude at 1:00 p.m.

Denise is a University lecturer, DNA Family Historian, and an experienced genealogical researcher.

Registration Fee: Pal-Am member, \$5; Non-member, \$10. Complete the form on page 9 and send to: Nancy Meyer, Treasurer/Registrar at the address shown.

A Visit with my German Family

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has property of value, etc.) is a custom prevalent in areas of north Westfalen.)

MEETING SILVIA: On Sunday, 13, August, my companion on the trip, Jeanne Heeke Drake and I took the train from her niece's home in Schierwaldenrath, Germany north to Rheine. (Jeanne's early ancestor lived in Cincinnati for a time, then the family moved to Kansas—where descendants live today. We hoped to connect our two families on this trip, as none of my research papers collected over the years showed us related? I telephoned Silvia Heeke who was aware of my plans to visit the area. She agreed to meet us at the Hotel Lücke where we were staying, at 5 p.m. After corresponding with Silvia since 1989, it was a pleasure to finally meet her. I gave her a gift of a small leather bound photo album.

WALKING TOUR AND DINNER: Silvia took us for a walking tour around the area near our hotel, and also to the old Rheine city cemetery where many tombstones dating to the previous century still exist. It is a beautiful, but run-down place. The newer cemetery is located outside the city. Later we had a fine German dinner at the hotel. The next morning, Silvia picked Jeanne and I up at the hotel, and we were off to see some of the surrounding towns of Ibbenbüren, Tecklenburg and finally to Hörstel (pro. Hürstel), where Silvia lives.

Photo: Left, Silvia Heeke and Sharon Heeke Kennedy



Silvia gave us a tour of her lovely house, and then we had a lunch that she prepared. Afterwards, she showed us four photos hanging in her entryway, which were of the Heeke farm house and property during various stages of ownership. The property has always been in her family since the great-great grandfather acquired it in 1843. Silvia had told us earlier that we were invited to dinner at the Heeke farm that evening in Rodde, at the invitation of her brother, Bernhard and his wife, Erika.

Silvia had some old family photos laid out on her dining room table, and then showed us a very large (prob. 40x36) chart that an elderly lady in the area had produced. It was filled with the family names of Heekes/Jüttes. Many of those names I already knew, but there are some places where names/descendants are shown that I don't have. Silvia then surprised Jeanne and I by stating, *"oh, I had copies made for both of you!"* She then proceeded to hand us each a copy of the chart. Wow! We were surprised, and grateful to her.

Soon it was time for us to leave Silvia's house, and go to her brother's farm in nearby Rodde. We stopped at a flower shop in Hörstel and I purchased a bouquet of flowers for Bernhard's wife, Erika.

From the Editor

On August 7, 2006, I flew from Indianapolis to Minneapolis, then to Amsterdam, and on to Brussels to begin 12 days in Europe, that would be interesting, memorable. I hope the readers of this newsletter, get insight about the people and places in Germany and Luxembourg from my stories.

The first five days, my traveling companion, Jeanne Heeke Drake and I, spent with her niece, Lavonne and family in Schierwaldenrath, a small village a few miles from the border of the Netherlands. They rent their home, which is a lovely two-story brick on a quiet lane. Lavonne had picked us up at the airport in Brussels.

We visited the NATO base where Lavonne's husband is a Lt. Col; and also the Army base at Schinnen in the Netherlands where she shopped for supplies. A day trip to Cologne to see the "DOM" cathedral, and the Schokoladen Museum (ummm!) were part of the first week. They have a very nice gift shop with every kind of chocolate gift imaginable. Later, our trip would take us to the American Cemetery in Luxembourg, via parts of the beautiful Belgium countryside. A drive along the Moselle River among the grape vineyards was awesome! Later meeting my German "cousins," in the north, as well as a visit to the family farm dating back to 1843 were highlights of the trip. My visit concluded with research at two archives in north Germany. I hope you find something of interest in my stories! P.S. The train rides north were an exercise—climbing up and down the stairs to trackside, with all of the luggage to deal with!

Visiting the Family Farm, Rodde, Germany

by Sharon (nee Heeke) Kennedy

In continuing the story of my visit with the Heeke family in Germany: at about 4:30 p.m., Silvia, Jeanne, and I arrived at the Heeke farm property in Rodde, Westfalen. (in north western Germany) We went up the drive to the front of a pretty two story home, with barns nearby. A lovely garden, with both vegetables and flowers was at the side of the driveway, but in front of the house.

THE FARM: Erika and her children greeted us at the door, and we were directed to the dining room nearby. The various rooms all had the doors closed. Inside the dining area was a very large table with a beautiful table covering, and chairs. We were seated a few minutes, when the children began setting plates on the table, and soon two of the girls came in with huge trays containing Apple streudel and one was Cherry streudel. Everyone had a small piece of each and they were delicious!

Conversation flowed during the evening, and the children, Verena, Veronicka, Hendrik, (Henry), and Mareike, were very interested in trying out their English. Henry is 12, and loves the Formula One racing. I had put together a small, thin photo album of my immediate family/Heeke relatives and ancestral photos, as well as a couple of Indiana picture postcards. I included German words such as

Bruder, Onkel, etc., so the people would be easily identified. I had a few postcards and photos of the Indianapolis "500" race track inside my album, which I gave to Henry as I was leaving. He was so thrilled, and wanted to be sure that I was "giving" them to him to keep!

Mareike, who turned 11 on the 22nd of August, is in her first year of English in school. She is so cute, and tried hard to express herself with English words. The oldest daughter, Verena was the most proficient in English. We all tried to help them along with words they were trying to form, as well as Silvia translating for all of us. (I do know some German words, but not enough for a conversation)

In between the living room and dining room was a huge wooden trunk. I understand that it was the property of the early ancestor's wife. The name **HEKE** was carved into the wood. It was dated 1795.

Erika, the hostess, brought out a 3-ring binder, and Jeanne and I were surprised to see beautiful old documents pertaining to the farm, that dated back to the original purchase of the property in 1843! As I looked thru them, I could see the names of the Heeke ancestors — Silvia's great-great grandfather, Hermann, great-grandfather, grandfather, father and now her brother who were owners of the property. The children brought out their photo albums from the time of their birth—and wanted us to look at them. Then they showed us the photos of the farm property, such as Silvia had shown us.

At the various stages in the photos, you can see the changes and additions to the farm buildings.

We took a short trip around the outside of the house, and looked in the barns where the cattle were that Bernhard raises. He also had a few chickens and a hog barn, but we didn't go in there. Bernhard has a job supervising about 150 people at a local factory, and farms in the evenings and on weekends. **Editor:** Because I had visited a farm—and noted this on my Customs/Immigration form on the plane, I had to go thru the Health/Agriculture gate for inspection/questioning upon arriving in Minneapolis.

Silvia had stated earlier that at one time, part of the original house was used as a barn, and the family lived in another part. She also mentioned, that residents in the area called her father, Jütte-Bern'd—in reference to Jütte added to the Heeke last name a century or more ago — but they didn't understand the meaning until I wrote to them. It was a wonderful evening and visit with my German "cousins."

The matriarch of the Heeke family, Emilie Feldman Heeke was away from the farm when I arrived. When she came home she had a hardy handshake and a big smile when I greeted her.

I had bought a picture frame from Hallmark and placed a recent family photo inside. I presented it to Emilie and she was very appreciative.



Photo: Left to right: Silvia, Marieke, Erika, Bernhard, Veronicka, Emilie, and Hendrik. Daughter, Verena took the photo.

"WorldCat" Database

by Curt Witcher, Genealogy Gems Newsletter, Ft. Wayne



WorldCat Database

Among the challenges facing genealogical researchers is trying to identify, and then locate, all the relevant data about a particular ancestor or potential ancestor. The explosion of indices and digitized data on the Internet has certainly aided millions of researchers in this quest for data.

A database that is frequently overlooked by genealogists is "WorldCat." According to the latest Genealogy Gems newsletter from the Fort Wayne Library, "WorldCat" is the largest bibliographic database of both published works, and a growing number of manuscript and archival collections, in the world.

"WorldCat" can be (and should be) searched not only by the surname, but also by geographic location (city, county, state, country), ethnic group (Germans, Finns, Irish, Swedes, etc.) religion and occupation. Tens of millions of records from library and archive catalogs around the world are included in this database. In addition to indicating what publications may exist for the family name, ethnic group or geographic area you are researching, "WorldCat" also indicates the member institution who owns the item. Increasingly, on "WorldCat" there are links directly from "WorldCat" into the owning institutions' online catalogs where additional, and more specific information can often be found.

"WorldCat" includes the ability to e-mail yourself the bibliographic records of the materials you are interested in exploring further—a way to create a complement to your research plan, and compile the beginnings of a great research log! You can also browse indices to assist in executing better searches, export data, or initiate and interlibrary for those materials that can be borrowed between libraries.

"WorldCat" can be found in many public and academic libraries around the country, and definitely at the Allen County Public Library in Ft. Wayne. In the Allen County library system, look under "E-Resources" on the right-hand side of the library's homepage, <www.ACPL.Info> and click on "FirstSearch." "WorldCat" is one of the databases available through "FirstSearch."

If you are attempting to pull together the largest pool of relevant data for your genealogical endeavors, it is a must-use data file!

Bistumsarchiv Münster

by Sharon (nee Heeke) Kennedy

The Bistumsarchiv in Münster, Germany is located on the campus of Münster University near the downtown city center. It was about a two block walk from the Central Hotel where we stayed. My traveling companion, Jeanne and I, discovered that Tuesday-Thursday, the archives was only open from 9-1. We were there on Wednesday/Thursday. Our hostess, Lavonne, had e-mailed some information about the archives, but I guess I didn't notice the shortened hours.

Upon arriving at the archives, we were asked to pay a fee of \$3.00/each at a window near the entrance. The department secretary could not speak English, but Jeanne and I, were able to fill out paperwork she gave us, and then ask for the church books and other materials we wanted to review. We filled out a form with our name, home address, telephone number, and then the secretary kept a record of the book numbers we requested.

We had worked at the archives in Rheine several days before, and were told the church books that Jeanne needed to see for the town of Hörstel were in Münster, however, this proved to be wrong. The secretary told us they were located at the church in Hörstel! Jeanne was trying to connect her Heeke line with mine and Silvia's, (the lady mentioned in previous stories) which originated in Rodde. Jeanne's ancestors were from Hörstel.

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Das um 1840 erbaute sog. Galen'sche Konvikt, seit 1950 Dienstgebäude

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Dust Bowl Ancestry?

Do you have ancestors who lived in either parts of Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, Colorado or Nebraska? You might be interested in reading the book, "The Worst Hard Times" by Timothy Egan.

Mr. Egan writes an intriguing tale of the many settlers who left these areas due to the drought and financial ruin of the 1930s. Some, however, were left behind, and his stories of the hardships of those who stayed behind and endured the years of the Great Dust Bowl make fascinating reading.

A quote, "Though Hazel Shaw had sealed the windows and doors and draped an extra layer of wet sheets over the openings, the dust still found Ruth Nell in her crib. (the dust) was oily and black some mornings, covering the baby's face...." The infant eventually contracted pneumonia and became gravely ill.

Cattle manure chips were burned as fuel; and tumbleweeds were fed to the livestock. The drought caused most crops to wither and die. Crops that did survive were sometimes destroyed by swarms of grasshoppers, who somehow managed to survive the terrible conditions. It has been reported that as much as 300,000 tons of topsoil was sent into the air in an April 1935 storm.

The author does analyze the cause of the Dust Bowl tragedy, and questions whether the years of drought were a normal occurrence or just a return to the region's natural climate after going thru wetter years? He also presents the argument that the U.S. government helped create the tragedy by offering land grants and other types of incentives that led in many cases to the destruction of the natural grasses.

Egan used the example, that between 1925 and 1930, more than a million acres of sod a year were turned up and pulverized in the southern plains. With the sod gone, and most crops dead, there was nothing to hold the dried topsoil down when the region's typical high winds rolled across the prairie. In some instances, dirt and dust formed huge drifts that buried homes and ploughs.

The stories presented of settlers living in the Dust Bowl areas are factual, and are told, not asking for pity from readers, but respect for their dedication to their families, land and country!

Editor: My companion on the Europe trip told me that she grew up in Kansas during the Dust Bowl years, and her stories were very similar to the story Mr. Egan presents! _____

Mr. Egan is a Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter for the New York Times. Book publisher: Houghton Mifflin. Source: Indianapolis Star review by Sandy Fugate, 4/1/06.

".....and most crops dead, there was nothing to hold the dried topsoil down when the region's typical high winds rolled across the prairie."

Bistumsarchiv Münster

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We searched the church books for Rheine/Rodde, Reisenbeck, and Ibbenbüren—towns all in the area of our ancestry. I must say, after searching microfilms in Salt Lake City, going through the various books, with their large pages to turn, and writing down information proved to be VERY tedious. There were NO photocopies allowed in the archives.

I was also searching for my great-great grandmother, Maria Anna Theile, b. about 1817, so I did copy records of Theiles from several church books in the 1800s that fit the timeframe, although her place of origin remains a mystery. There were church records of Reisenbeck back into the 1600s. The Heeke name was spelled HEKE in some of the entries.

It was an interesting experience to go to the archives, but if I ever go again, I would verify the hours for the entire week. Our luck, we end up there mid-week so were subject to shortened hours!

"Bistumsarchive der Katholischen Kirche in Deutschland"—

Your editor has a current listing of Catholic church archives, names, addresses and phone numbers in Germany—if anyone is interested?

Luxembourg American Cemetery, at Hamm

By Sharon (Heeke) Kennedy, some material from brochures received at the cemetery

During my recent visit to Europe, I had the privilege of visiting the Luxembourg American Cemetery, located at Hamm, Luxembourg. My first cousin, Sgt. Edward W. Hemmerlein of the little southern Indiana town of Dubois, in Dubois County, Indiana is buried along with 5,075 other military Dead, many of whom gave their lives in the "Battle of the Bulge" in which he was killed.

I was able to travel with friends to the cemetery, which lies 3 miles east of downtown Luxembourg City. The cemetery is on 50 1/2 acres, and situated in a beautiful wooded area. There is a small visitor's center inside the entrance gate. There I met the Superintendent, retired Army, Lt. Col., Leland Atkinson. I cannot say enough about the help and kindness shown to me by Mr. Atkinson. He lives on the cemetery grounds with his wife, and has worked there nine years.

He put the name of my cousin into the computer, and then wrote down the area he was buried in so we could go there. (I had hurried out of the car without my file folder of information—my sister, Judy, have previously visited here in the mid 1970s) Outside the visitor's center, a golf cart awaited us. Leland drove down the blacktop walkway of the cemetery—and then across the back, close to the center. There, three rows up, Plot H, Row 14, Grave 25, I saw the white marble tombstone of my cousin. Leland took a bucket of sand from the cart, and proceeded to brush it into the lettering, so that when photos were taken, the name, and other information would show up.

"As we were leaving, my friend, Lavonne, who is currently living in Germany while her husband is stationed at the NATO base, overheard Leland tell a man, "Let's go see the boys!" They hopped in the golf cart and were off to the cemetery grounds!"

He told us they bring in the sand from Omaha Beach—a famous battle site in the war.

There was a light rain falling, and it suited my mood—which was somber, but proud. I was very humbled to be in such a place, and had thoughts of my aunt and uncle, and Edward's two siblings and what sorrow they had felt. (they were told he was "missing in action" in April 1945, and his death was verified in August of the same year.)

I was able to purchase a beautiful yellow/white floral display (live flowers—a florist had left several extra) and place it on the grave. Then my party and I walked around to view the beautiful chapel, with the sculpture in bronze and stone, a stained-glass window with American unit insignia and a mosaic ceiling. The two Pylons nearby display colorful maps of the areas of battle in the Ardennes and Rhineland; as well as the 371 names of missing soldiers whose remains were never recovered or identified.

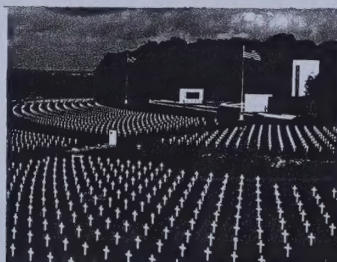
Leland gave me a packet of brochures and other material relating to the cemetery and the war dead.

He had taken photos of me at the gravesite, which he printed out, in addition to the standard card they give you with the photo of the tombstone (cross) of your relative. Edward does have a small military headstone in Dubois County.

In March 1948, the cemetery was closed to visitors and screened with tarpaulins around its perimeter. About 250 local laborers were hired to perform the exhumations of all remains in preparation for casketing and the repatriation of those whose families had chosen to rebury them in the United States. All the remains were prepared by morticians after final positive identification and were laid in 500-pound, bronze-finished coffins. The coffins were buried in trenches shaped in concentric arcs according to the new design of the cemetery. Some other bodies were brought in from temporary graves in France and Belgium and buried here. About 5,050 of the total dead were shipped via Antwerp to the United States.

Among those buried in Hamm, are 118 soldiers of the Jewish faith, whose headstones are in the shape of a Star of David, 22 pairs of brothers, and one pair of close friends buried side by side at the request of their families, and one woman, an Army nurse. An estimated 120,000 people visit the cemetery every year, including over 50,000 Americans.

Luxembourg American Cemetery,
Hamm, Luxembourg



Website Databases

MISSOURI DEATH CERTIFICATES—The Missouri State Archives now offers the Missouri Death Certificate Database. It's a new online index and images. Currently the index covers from 1910 to 1955 and the images date from 1910 to 1920. It is at: <http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/death-certificates/>.

INDEX OF MISSOURI DEATH CERTIFICATES— 1910-1955, and digitized images, 1910-1920, at www.sos.mo.gov/archives.

NEW YORK CITY BRIDE AND BRIDE-GROOM INDEXES— The bridegroom index is for the entire city (1909-1936). The bride index is incomplete and is only for the boroughs of Bronx (1891-1937), Brooklyn (1891-1937), and Queens (1904-1937).



NEW CHAPTER MEMBER—

We welcome to the Indiana chapter: Katherine Hiser, 34929 Kensington Drive, Lafayette, IN 47905-4164.

Elderhostel German Heritage Trip

Have you always wanted to go to Germany and check out your ancestry. Well, here is your chance to do just that!

An Elderhostel program, #12242DR is leaving September 15, 2006, and another trip is planned April 13, 2007 for 11 nights, and is aimed at German heritage.

Visits to State Archives, Museums, etc. will be on the agenda. The Palatinate is NOT on the tour,

but the trip does include visits to Stuttgart and Baden.

If you are interested, go to: www.elderhostel.org, and put in the trip number.

Editor: Thanks to Bob and Lee McDougal for this information!

Rheine Archives

Research at the Rheine archives proved to be very interesting. The secretary was VERY helpful, although she did not speak English.

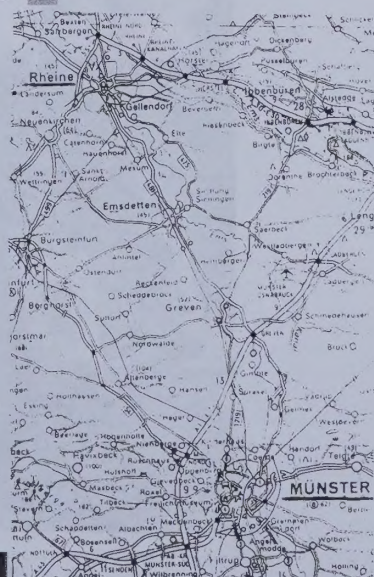
At one point she brought out notebook size packets of papers for some of our surnames that had baptismal/marriage and death dates. She made copies of these for us. Some of that information may be useful.

A German lady, came riding up to the archives on her bicycle as we were returning from lunch. When a local researcher named Franz Winter (whom we had become acquainted with) told her of our HEEKE/JUTTE ancestry, she proudly stated that it was her family too! Her name was

Hedwig Lambers. Shortly after that she left the archives stating she'd be back in one hour. She was going home to get some paperwork she wanted to show us.

Upon her return, she showed us the same large chart that Silvia Heeke had given us the day before! Then she handed me a thin notebook of hers with names/dates of early Heekes/Juttes, and told me to "take" it!

She had photographs of some early Heekes that had emigrated to Richmond, VA which they photographed for us. I knew the American family they were connected to—as well as mine! What a day!



A Visit to Kreuzweiler & Bannholz Woods

Editor: As you can see by stories in this newsletter, my trip to Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands, and a quick trip into France, were not the "typical" tourist thing.

After visiting the U. S. Military Cemetery, we were advised there was a Peace Monument to the American and German soldiers who had died in the area of the Battle of the Bulge. The monument was near Sinz, Germany. Our next excursion was to "find" the monument. Our hostess, Lavonne, drove us to Kreuzweiler, via towns such as Eupen and Verviers in Belgium. What incredible scenery as we drove south. Deep valleys and hills with homes and gardens. Later our route took us along the beautiful Moselle River and the grape vineyards that stretched for miles and miles.

When we arrived in Kreuzweiler, which is southwest of Trier and close to the border of Luxembourg, we looked for directions to the Peace Monument but saw none. It was then we all noticed a sign "Bulldog Museum" by a nearby home. I must say I wasn't interested, and stayed with the car. Soon, Lavonne came and told me they would "be there awhile," and that there were "World War II things to see." I walked up a path to the back of the house, and saw a large yard filled with old tractors, tools, and every other collectable. Nearby, I saw some military jackets, and other

He then handed the "History of the 94th...." book to me and said it was mine to keep!

things I recognized as United States military gear. Upon further inspection, we found a gas mask, a mail bag, and other things the owner had found in surrounding woods. There was also a very large log type building at the back of the property—open at the bottom and filled with antiques.

Soon, the owner, Robert appeared, and greeted us. He was a man in his early 50s. I explained to him in my poor German, that "mein cousin" had died near the Bannholz Woods. After awhile, Martina, Robert's wife came outside, and she understood English. When Robert heard my cousin had been part of the 376th Infantry, 94th Division under General Patton, he disappeared and soon came back carrying a book, "History of the 94th Infantry Division—In World War II." He said he had purchased the book on the Internet from Nashville, TN. Robert proceeded to show us pages where the battle took place that Edward was involved in, near Sinz. After a time, he said if we were interested, he would guide us to the area of the Bannholz Woods only a mile or so away.

Within a few minutes, Robert drove out in a restored 1957 jeep, and we followed in our car to the place known as the Bannholz Woods. At various points Robert stopped and pointed to pages in the book, to describe things of interest. Inside the woods, he led the group to some foxholes and

an old German bunker. (I stayed on the pathway in the woods, and chose not to go in to see these, because I didn't have good walking shoes on) I do have all of the photos on a CD, which my traveling companion photographed.

We prepared to leave the area, and Robert directed us to the main road, and told us how to get to the Peace Monument. **He then handed the "History of the 94th...." book to me and said it was "mine to keep!"** I told him I couldn't accept it, but he insisted. We had already decided to give Robert some money (Euros) for his museum, which we did, in addition to hugs for all the time he took in showing us around.

Lavonne, our American hostess in Germany, had her 12 year old son, Tyler, with us, and he got a great history lesson that day—as did all of us!



Left: our German friends, Robert and wife, Martina

Dates to Remember

Sept. 29-30, 2006: Western PA Genealogical Society and the Genealogical Society of PA State-wide Genealogical Conference, Pittsburgh, PA. Information: www.wpgs.org; and www.genpa.org.

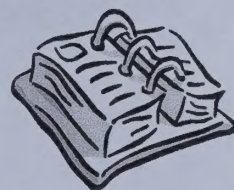
Oct. 7, 2006: Clinton County Genealogical Society: Seminar, Skanta Theatre, Frankfort Community Public Library, 208 W. Clinton St., Frankfort, IN. Speaker, Dr. George K. Schweitzer, on "Tracing Ancestors Back Across the Atlantic, Finding Your Ancestor's Parents," and "Indiana Genealogical Research."

Oct. 8-15, 2006: Research Trip to Family History Library, Sale Lake City. Sponsored by the National Society, Palatines to America. Annette Burgert, and Leader, Mary Lou Delahunt. Tele:

(309)-344-5116.

Oct. 21, 2006: Pennsylvania Chapter, Fall Conference. Speaker, Larry O. Jensen. Yoder's Restaurant Banquet Room, New Holland, PA. Questions, call Lois Byrem, (717) 687-8234.

Oct. 26, 2006: Colorado Chapter Annual Dinner and Fall Workshop. Holiday Inn, Lakewood, CO. Contact, Tim Ostwald, (303) 443-9466, or e-mail: <Ltostwald@worldnet.att.net>.



Apr. 28, 2007: Indiana Genealogical Society Conference, Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne. More details later.

German Peace Monument

GERMAN-AMERICAN PEACE MONUMENT— 94th INFANTRY

A drive south outside the town of Sinz, our group found the Peace Monument. It was a simple place, with several stones relating to the monument, a brick walkway, with banks of hostas in front of the stones.

One plaque stated, "In commemoration of the dedication of this monument as a symbol of peace and German-American friendship." Dated 18, October, 1991.



Photo: Sharon Kennedy, Peace Monument, August 2006

Workshop Registration

Please register me for the IN Chapter Pal-Am fall workshop, Saturday, October 14, 2006.

Registration Fee: Pal-Am member, \$5; Non-member, \$10.

Amount Enclosed: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Please mail check or money order to: Nancy I. Meyer, IN Chapter Registrar, 234 W. Jefferson Street, Tipton, IN 46072-1850.

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Remember: Indiana Chapter Genealogy Workshop, Saturday, October 14, 2006. DNA Study and DNA Family Historian are the topics. The public is invited.

***SEND YOUR QUERIES, LETTERS OR STORIES** to the editor at least two weeks prior to the publication dates which are March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1. Let's get your family history story told!*



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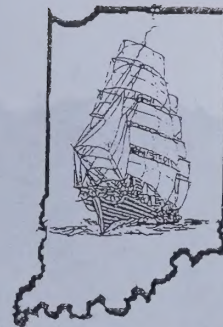
Change of Address: Please send these to the Weber Road address!

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Dues include membership in the national and one chapter, (of which there are currently seven: CO, IL, IN, NY, OH, PA, WV.)

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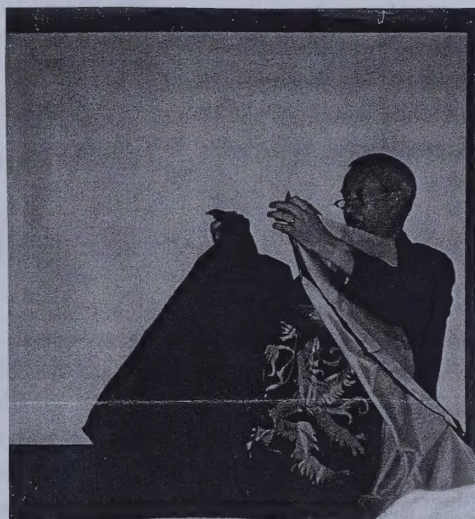
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Flag of the Palatinate



Left: Dr. Paul



Right: Palatinate flag

The Palatinate Flag of Germany was presented to Jim Feit, (past President of the Indiana Chapter,) by Dr. Roland Paul after his lecture here on September 22, 2007. Jim was moderator for the day, and gratefully accepted the flag as a symbol of friendship between the two countries. Because we do not have an official chapter office, no decision has been made at this time on where the flag will have a permanent home.

Membership Dues

Reminder: The dues for a Palatines to America membership expire on September 30.

If your label on the back of this newsletter shows, Expires: 2007, then your membership is past due.

Please send your payment to the Palatines national office, 611 Weber Road, Columbus, OH 43211-1097.

If you have paid for 2008 — WE THANK YOU! The chapter officers, and chairpersons appreciate your loyalty and interest in the Palatine Society.

If we can answer a question, regarding the society, or your research projects, please feel free to contact us. The members of the board are listed on page 10 of this newsletter.

Fall Meeting Update

Editor: The fall meeting of the Indiana chapter was held at the Athenaeum on September 22nd. Our guest speakers were Dr. Roland Paul, Kaiserslautern, Germany, and Dr. Giles Hoyt, Professor of German Language, and German-American Studies, IU-PUI, Indianapolis.

The meeting had an attendance of about 60, including Pal-Am, and German Heritage Society members, as well as a few walk-in guests. A special thanks to New York chapter president, Grace Saatman who attended, and Gary Link, chapter member who came from Warrenton, MO.

Dr. Paul discussed the migration into and out of the Pfalz region, during the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries.

During Dr. Paul's afternoon lecture, he read a few interesting letters of people who had emigrated to America and were writing back to their families in Germany.

If you have ancestors from the Palatinate and

wish to contact Dr. Paul, his address is:

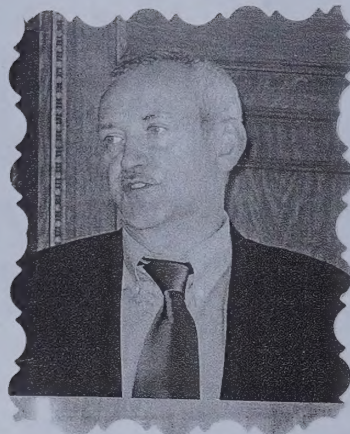
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E-mail: r.paul@institut.bv-pfalz.de.

Dr. Hoyt gave a fast-paced, presentation regarding the German Settlement of Indiana, with often humorous comments interjected. The lecture was enhanced by a slide presentation.

A lunch was served in the banquet room downstairs. The food was delicious, and there was time to visit and share stories with other genealogists, as each table had seating for eight.

Photo at left: Dr. Roland Paul



The Pal-Am Membership Year ended September 30. Have you sent your payment for 2008? If not, please do so today. Thank you!

German Christmas Show

The Fort Wayne Sport Club will present a German Christmas Show, "Alle Jahre Wieder.... Weihnachts Show 2007." This event will take place on Thursday, December 6, 2007 at 7 p.m.

Die Mooskirchener
German Volksmusik — by the Band/Kapelle.

Dinner is available (Beef Rouladen) from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The show and dinner price is \$30/per person. For the show only: \$20/per person with

limited seating. RSVP by 12/1/07.

For reservations, please call (260) 244-6964, or (260) 338-1324. Tickets are assigned to reserved tables.

The club address: Fort Wayne Sport Club, 3102 Ardmore Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN 46804.

New Members

The Indiana Chapter welcomes the following new members:

Edwin H. Layer, Jr., West Lafayette, IN;
R. Kay Peas, and Janet Schenkel, Wabash, IN;
Howard and Janice M. Duncan, Evergreen, CO;
Veronica Fritz, Indianapolis, IN.

Current Membership: 171



Sympathy

Patricia Jeanne Kirtley Cox, 81:

A longtime resident of Danville, Indiana died on October 23, 2007. She was a member of the DAR.

Pat's obituary in the Indianapolis Star stated she had "a passion for history, genealogy and helping others."

Upon checking with the national office, I was notified that Patricia was indeed a member of the Indiana chapter, Pal-Am from 1979-1999.

Our sympathy to Patricia's family.

New York Foundling Asylum

Editor: Thanks to member, Dr. Robert McDougal for the following article.

The New York Foundling Asylum was begun in 1869, by Sister Mary Irene Fitzgibbons, (Sisters of Charity) to care for the many babies abandoned by their mothers; the result of problems at that time with poverty and sometimes alcohol.

The first child, Sarah Kinsley was left with the sisters on Oct. 12, 1869. It was a time when an estimated 30,000 homeless children roamed the city. Many babies were left in the cradle that was placed outside the brownstone building on East 12th Street off Fifth Avenue.

Early on, the Foundling was a pediatric and maternity hospital, and did participate in the "orphan trains. At least 200,000 children in the New York area were shipped to do farm and domestic labor out west.

For those with ancestors from the New York area this may be of some interest. At times, the notes left with the orphans, stated their full name, age, and the fact that they were baptized. These scraps of paper, notes and letters have stories to be told.

Other babies were simply left at the home after being "found" on a nearby street corner according to notes left with them. The article stated how "poignant" is the collection of baby ledgers noting the arrival of each child.

Recently, the task of research into the archival records of the Foundling Home have been assigned to Richard Reilly, 67, a retired management consultant and history buff. He is a member of the Ignatian Volunteer Corps, a Jesuit-run program promoting service and spirituality.

(story continued on page 5)



Updates and Corrections

Canal Site: An editorial in the Indianapolis Star told of a group organized to try and save the one-acre tract on Ohio Street, across from the Indiana Historical Society building that was mentioned in September newsletter.

If you are interested in this effort to stop the development there, and help establish a park-like setting, contact Kevin Stiles at savecanal-park@juno.com.

Klemm's Meat Market:

In the June issue, it stated that Klemm's new lo-

cation was "south" of Raymond Street on Shelby. It occurred to me later, that was not right. **Klemm's is NORTH of Raymond Street and the I-65 exit on Shelby.** (Editor)

106th Infantry: A chapter member sent me a note stating that he thought the 106th (story/September newsletter) were trained/lodged at Camp Atterbury, but not at Ft. Harrison.

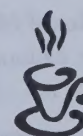
International Tea & Coffee and German Pastries

The website GERMANYINUS/IUPUI sent out a notice about the new *International Tea & Coffee* business located at 630 Virginia Avenue in Indianapolis. (between South Street & Fountain Square) Open from 7-15 Uhr. (7-3 p.m.)

The e-mail also mentioned that you can purchase German pastries at this location. Most of the e-mail was in German—but it appears the store also serves sandwiches, salads, soup, various teas

and of course, a variety of coffees in an "Eine freundliche Atmosphaere."

This business is close to the area where Klemm's Meat Market is located, so you might want to stop at BOTH places and indulge yourself with lunch, their coffee or tea, and the pastries!! Then take home some good German type meats and other delicacies from Klemm's!



Summer Course on German Script



TWO-WEEK
COURSE
JUNE 2-13, 2008

The Moravian Archives in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, is offering a two-week course in reading German script, to be held June 2 - June 13, 2008.

Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to read and transcribe 17th-20th century texts written in German script; Medieval texts will not be studied. Participants will be able to identify abbreviations used in 17th—and 18th century texts, and will know where to reference less frequently used ones. A discussion will be held of the development of script from Roman times until the abolition of German script in 1943.

The students will learn about different calendar and dating systems used throughout the centuries.

This intensive course on learning to read German script is now in its 38th year and is the only course of its kind in the country.

Course fee: \$525.00 (does not include housing). The number of participants is limited to 15.

Former participants have included, college professors, students, genealogists, curators, archivists and hobbyists from various backgrounds.

For more information and online registration, www.moravianchurcharchives.org/germanscript.php.

The Moravian Archives, 41 W. Locust Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Telephone: (610) 866-3255.

Hamburg Germany Passenger Lists

Between 1850 to 1934, more than 5 million people from eastern and central Europe emigrated through the port of Hamburg, Germany to the United States. Lists of passengers departing Hamburg prove helpful by providing a specific place of origin for those emigrants. Knowing the place of origin is crucial to continue research in European records.

The Genealogy Center of the Ft. Wayne Library has 115 microfilm reels of Hamburg "direct lists." These are passenger lists of ships that traveled directly from Hamburg to a destination without stopping at other European ports. The films run from March 1850 to the end of 1900. They are complete, with the exception of those from Jan. thru July 14, 1853, a period for which records are missing.

Lists for 1850 to 1855 do not require separate indices, because they are already arranged alphabetically by the first letter of the head of household's surname.

For the period from April 1855 to April 1901, the Genealogy Center has 63 microfilm reels of indices to the Hamburg direct lists.

These indices are arranged by the first letter of the head of household's surname, then by the date the vessel left Hamburg.

These Hamburg lists are also available if you have a membership to Ancestry.com.

From Your Editor by Sharon Kennedy

National Board Meeting: As the Indiana contact person, I attended the national board meeting of the Palatines to America held in Columbus, Ohio on Saturday, 29th.

I am pleased to report that a lot of material was discussed and some issues voted on. Ideas were put forth on how the society could improve research capabilities for members, including placing more information on our website.

The 10% discount to members for Pal-Am publication's has already started. A searchable Immigrant Index on the web is

another plan.

I hope to see many of the ideas implemented in the near future. Watch for updates!

Chapter Link/Pal-Am Website: Plans are in the works to get the Indiana chapter website current. It has been sadly lacking in information for sometime. The link is within the national website, www.palam.org.

A website was mentioned in the "Online with Ivan" column in the Louisville Genealogical Society newsletter (Vol. 18, Issue 10, Oct 2007).

Surnames: Try the following: <http://www.surnamedb.com/>. Towards the top of the screen you will find three tabs: Surname Origin, Historical Recordings, and Internet Links.

Use the Surname Origin to enter your surname and get the origin of the name. Historical Recordings includes births, deaths, and marriages over 100 years old. Internet Links, is the other opportunity to add information on your family name.

Books: The website, <http://www.books.google.com> enables you to search books in the public domain (the copyright has expired) that have

been digitized.

Put the first and last name for which you want to search inside quotation marks. Otherwise, you will get every reference it can find for both names.

The material found will be in four formats: full view, limited preview, snippet view and no preview.

Every view will provide you with a list of libraries where you can find the book from which the material originated, listed with the library closest to you and the distance given. There is also an option to purchase the book.

Civil War Buffs

Are you interested in Civil War history? If so, the Indianapolis Civil War Round Table may be of interest.

The Round Table is a group of academics and other interested persons who meet 10 times each school year. During their meetings, they exchange views and have scholarly presentations on aspects of the war.

The round table group began back in 1955 and continues today. One of the founding members, was Hezzie Pike, whose great nephew, John Copeland is a current member.

The group meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at the Indiana Historical Society, 450 W. Ohio Street. The meetings are open to everyone.

One purpose of the Round Table group is to help preserve historic landmarks associated with the war, that includes homes and monuments.

On December 10th, Indiana Chief Justice Randall Shepard will discuss this state's politics during the war.

Source: Hendricks County Flyer, Oct. 2007, article by Wade Coggeshall.

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New York Foundling Asylum (continued from page 3)

The archive holdings include such things as admissions registers, clippings dating to 1869, and dozens of scrapbooks, which Mr. Reilly is reviewing and organizing.

It is the intention of the Foundling to create an archival center, with the plan to place all the materials on its Web site in time for the 140th anniversary in 2009.

At the present time, the Foundling is one of the

largest foster care facilities in the area, with about 13,000 children in five boroughs.

Most of the Foundling's \$88 million dollar budget today comes from private contributions, bequests, and contracts for welfare services with government agencies.

Source: New York Times article Sept 2007, by Glen Collins.



Regional Sources and Stories

Genealogy Across Indiana

Online Connections, is the Indiana Historical Society's new Web companion page to The Hoosier Genealogist. The website made its debut in November. You may access it through www.indianahistory.org/, then follow the links: Family History, Family History Publications, Online Connections.

The Regional Sources and Stories are divided by sections of the state; Northern, Central and Southern Indiana. The first set of articles to be published include,

- **Regional Sources and Stories**

Northern Indiana; "Grant County, Book of Dentist Charles A Priest, 1920," by Geneil Breeze.

Central Indiana; "Henry County, Naturalization Records in the Indiana State Archives, 1854-1929," indexed by

Fred J. Engelking.

Southern Indiana; "Martin County, Burial Plots at Crane Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center," by Judith Q. McMullen.

- **Genealogy Across Indiana**

"Guest Register of the Union Inn, aka Indianapolis Hotel, 1833" by Patricia Shires Orr.

"Society of Indiana Pioneers: Pioneer Ancestors Approved in 2006" compiled by Evan Gaughan and Rachel Popma.

- **Family Records**

"The Arbuckle-Spaugh Family Bible Records" transcribed by Margaret Read MacDonald.

Ft. Wayne Library Orientation Video

A new orientation video has been produced for the Genealogy Center of the Allen County Public Library. This video is available 24-7 on the web at, www.GenealogyCenter.info/video. The video is in QuickTime format.

If you do not have this free player, you can download it from <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/download/>. It runs best on a high-speed or broadband connection and is just about twenty minutes long.

The video is a great way to get familiar with the

Center if you haven't been there in awhile.

According to the library e-newsletter, "it does a good job of warming the place up and helping you formulate questions specific to your research. The video can also be found in two parts on YouTube if that is more convenient for your viewing."

Source: Allen County Library Genealogy e-newsletter, No. 44, Oct. 30, 2007.

German American Heritage Website

A new website has been launched which should be of interest to German Americans. The website is, www.germanoriginality.com; < <http://www.germanoriginality.com/>>

There are links to ancestry websites; the history of famous German Americans and inventions of German origin; German products, an emigration time line; and many other things of interest.

The opening of the two heritage museums in Bremerhaven and Hamburg, and in Bavaria, the homes and museums dedicated to Levi Strauss (of Levis fame) and Daniel Pastorius (the founder of Germantown) are must-sees for visitors

to Germany.

Among other subjects available on the website, an interactive map of important German American heritage places; cooking ideas and recipes, German American festivals, and other events in the U.S.

Also with the links, find travel tips and places to share your travel and heritage stories and photos.

Contact the German National Tourist Office at: www.cometogermany.com. For more current and historical information on Germany try the website, of the German Information Center: <http://www.germany.info>.

LIBRARY TOURS:

The Indiana State Library, 140 N. Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, is still hosting Family History Orientation Tours. These are free orientations open to the public, geared toward genealogists. Pre-registration is required. Please call 317-232-3689.

The dates for December 2007 include: Dec. 6, and Dec. 18, 9:30-11:00 a.m. Learn where different family history resources are located on the first and second floors.

A Grave Discovery!

From an article by J. Meadow, Rocky Mountain News

Editor: On a visit to Denver/Lakewood, Colorado a few weeks ago, I came across an article in the Rocky Mountain News that I thought was interesting. I share the following.

A young couple by the name of Perez had moved into a modest rental property in Greeley, Colorado a few month ago with their three year old daughter. Sergio, the husband, decided that in order to make the house more family-oriented, he would re-sod the backyard. The first thing to do was remove 10 rectangular paving stones. However, upon further inspection, Sergio, and his nephew who was helping—discovered the stones were inscribed: the first one was, Janice Yvonne Gooken, age 2, 10/9/39. Others actually had the block, lot, and grave number carved into them.

In looking in the front yard, the men found 13 more 25-pound concrete rectangles. Another 32 stones along the side of the house, and the mystery deepened as the numbers increased.

Sergio's wife, Victoria stated she was "creeped out" by the discovery. She immediately called the police, who arrived, but didn't have any idea what to do. They suggested she call the city.

The person Victoria spoke to knew their area well, and realized that the Linn Grove Cemetery was less than 3 miles from the Perez home. Eventually, she was able to contact the cemetery manager, Tom Van Buskirk. When Victoria described what they had found, the man knew they were not talking about headstones, but "temporary concrete markers" used to identify a grave until a more permanent marker could be put in place.

Mr. Van Buskirk was willing to come and pick up the stones, because he recognized they belonged to Linn Grove, by the block, lot and grave numbers, but had no idea how they got on the Perez property.

The Perez couple was relieved that no graves had been stripped of their identification. Their nephew, Richard, stated he slept with "one eye open" the first couple of nights, - "just in case that little girl came back to get me for moving her marker!"

Upon further investigation, the couple contacted the Greeley Tribune. Staff at the paper were able to find that a previous tenant in the house had been a caretaker at Linn Grove, and apparently thought the stones would make good landscaping.

Sergio jokingly tried to talk his wife into keeping the stones, and "pave the front of the house for Halloween" - but she finds the 55 concrete stones a reminder of death more chilling than funny.

A later visit to Linn Grove, would ease Victoria's mind, when she found a beautiful granite stone for one of the names on the pavers found in their yard! She felt good that these markers were not taken from graves, but rather a discard pile.



REST IN PEACE!

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2008 National Conference



6 speakers will give 13 presentations on German and/or Swiss genealogy; everything from German Border Changes, to the Records Swiss Emigrants Left Behind, to DNA and genealogy; even Confirming your Ancestors Place of Origin. There will be something for everyone at this National Conference in Columbus, OH in June 2008. Check www.palam.org periodically for updates.



Colorado Chapter Fall Meeting



Editor: My husband and I were in Lakewood, Colorado a few weeks ago visiting our son and family. The Colorado chapter fall conference was at that time, and I was able to attend.

About 60 people attended on Saturday, October 27, and out-of-town guests included, our national President, Virginia Cassady, (visiting each chapter) Rich Salik, Illinois chapter (who traveled by train) and myself.

An informal discussion with fellow researchers was held in the first session. At the same time, a Beginning Genealogy session was in progress.

The main speaker was Martin Diestler, an attorney, and immigrant from England, who lives in Blandinsville, IL. (Martin spoke to the Indiana chapter in April 1988.)

His three presentations were related to *Emigration*, (records of emigration/immigration/where are they now?)

Jurisdiction, (tracking present location of records: Civil, Ecclesiastical, Judicial and Military;)

Germany Military Records. (Primary: Regiment-skirchenbucher, Garnisonkirchenbucher and Division-skirchenbucher; as well as Secondary sources.)

Martin knows his subjects well, and had good informational handouts.

It was great to be able to meet some of the participants from another chapter. During the luncheon, a Colorado officer/chairperson sat at each table. I was able to visit with the editor of their chapter newsletter, Kay Marica.

Note: An announcement was made that the papers, Colorado member Tim Ostwald has written/presented over the past several years on subjects relating to German research are going to be placed on a CD and sold. I will keep our chapter members updated on when this excellent source is available. (Editor)

Additional Resources

Auswanderung aus Wurttemberg: auptstaatsarchiv Stuttgart. <http://www.auswanderer.lad-bw.de/>.

Genealogical Research in Bavaria: http://www.worldroots.com/misc/bg_misc/bavausw.html.

Lower Saxony Institute for the Research of Regional History: <http://www.regionalforschung.de/index.html>.

Archives of the Mennonite Church: <http://www.goshen.edu/mcarchives/>.

Researcher

Researcher Available:

Seeking a top-notch genealogical professional? Darrol Pierson is now doing research full time. Darrol, who spent just under 20 years with the Indiana State Library, also is preparing for presentations at conferences and seminars.

To contact Darrol, call (317) 322-1703. His e-mail address is: "darrol_pierson9051@sbcglobal.net."

Library Survey

Editor: Regarding the questions in the September newsletter about the national Pal-Am library, the results to date are:

- 1) Ever visited the Palatine library in Columbus? Yes, 7; No, 1 (has since visited)
- 2) If you have visited, was visit successful? Yes, 5; 1 n/a; 1 (don't remember, too long ago/old library site) 1, found some very useful things, but not anything to do with my German ancestors.
- 3) Do you plan to visit the library this year/or in

the future? Yes, 5; No, 3.

- 4) Any comments/questions? Location, easy to find. Very Good resources, excellent people help, wonderful resource. Resources on Pennsylvania especially helpful. Other: doesn't compare to Ft. Wayne, or other local libraries. The OHS and OGS libraries are much better.

These responses were appreciated. A lot of positive comments, but very few answers were received in comparison to our membership numbers.

Regional Veterans Administration

Need information on a veteran—and not finding it? Have you contacted the “**regional**” office of the Veterans Administration to see if they have records on your relative?

You can find the number in your local phone book, in the front “Federal Government Pages.” There is usually a toll-free 800 number. A web-site is also available, <http://www1.va.gov/directory/guide/home.asp?isFlash=1>.

Ask the VA office for the mailing address to their “Freedom of Information Officer/Administrator (FOIA). Write to the regional center closest to you (or the area where your relative lived) and put Attn: FOIA.

You will then request copies of any and all VA

files. Note: These files are NOT a military file, but a veterans administration file.

Include the following information in your letter: 1) your relationship to the veteran; 2) veteran’s full name; 3) veteran’s date of birth/death (even if incomplete); 4) veteran’s branch of service, and when he/she served, even in the states; 5) veteran’s service number or Social Security number—and finally, 6) your name, address, and signature.

On average it usually takes ninety to 120 days for a response.

Source: RootsWeb Review, Feb. 2007, Vol. 10, No. 8.



Dates to Remember

Dec. 9: German Christmas Service at Zion Evangelical United Church of Christ, Indianapolis. North and New Jersey Streets. Info: (317) 257-0493 or (317) 639-5411.

Dec. 9: Liederkrantz Weihnachtskonzert, Liederkrantz Hall, 1417 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis. Info: (317) 266-9816.

Dec. 11: Louisville Genealogical Society Annual Luncheon. Location: Big Springs Country Club, 5901 Dutchman’s Lane, Louisville, 40205. Price \$18.00. Luncheon speaker, Mel Arnold, Samford University graduate; “*Another Look at Jamestown*.” Reservations, PO Box 24566, Louisville, KY 40224-0566.

Dec. 12: Indiana German Heritage Society, Board Meeting, Stammtisch and Program. Viewing of “Slaughterhouse Five” – based on the book by Kurt Vonnegut. Followed by a panel discussion of the film and novel, led by Claudia Grossmann, who teaches German cinema at IUPUI.

Programs are held at the Athenaeum located at 401 East Michigan Street in Indianapolis. They are free of charge and open to the public. Optional supper with conversation begins at 6:30 p.m. with the program at 7:30 p.m. Info: Giles R. Hoyt, at the IUPUI Max Kade German-American Center, (317) 274-2330 or (317) 464-9004 or ghoyt@iupui.edu

CHICAGO CHRISTKINDLMARKET: Nov. 22nd—through December 23rd. Open from 11 a.m.—9 p.m. Last Day: Dec. 24th—11 a.m.—4 p.m. Location: Daley Plaza between Washington, Clark & Dearborn Street. Admission is FREE. The market welcomed the Nuremberg Christkindl to the city of Chicago to recite her famous welcoming prologue, which officially opens the Market to all visitors.

Sankt Nikolaus Fest

The Athenaeum/Das Deutsche Haus will host its 23rd annual German Sankt Nikolaus holiday celebration the weekend of December 1st and 2nd.

Christkindl Market, offering old-world and U.S. crafts and gifts. 6-9 p.m. on Sat. and 1-5:00 Sun.

December 2nd —Activities begin at 1:00 p.m. with gingerbread house making, crafts, games, and a puppet show featuring the Melchior Marionettes!

At 3:00 p.m. the traditional Weihnachtsbaum ceremonies—the lighting of the Christmas tree with real candles and group singing, in the auditorium.

At 3:30 p.m. a fanfare announces the arrival of Sankt Nikolaus and his assistant Knecht Ruprecht. Nikolaus will be dressed in his red and gold Episcopal vestments, carrying his crosier. Ruprecht, dressed in ragged, sooty clothes, carries in the bag of treats and the bundle of switches. Nikolaus then receives his Goldenes Buch (the Gold Book) and calls the children by name to account for their behavior through the year. Cost: (Sunday only) Adults, \$7.00, children under 13, \$5.00.

Reservations a must. (319)655-2755.

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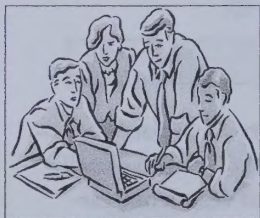
Researching Your German Ancestry

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Palatines to America is a national genealogical society founded in 1975. Membership is available to any interested person, library or school. Annual dues are \$35, individual or institution. \$40 family, (two persons at the same address). Dues include membership in the national, and one chapter, of which there are currently seven: CO, IL, IN, NY, OH, PA, and WV.

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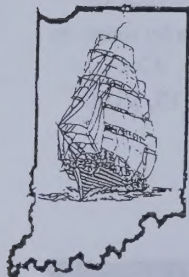
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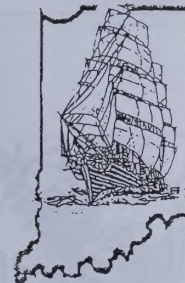
Membership: Position is open. (Sharon Kennedy currently maintains records) (duties consist of receiving reports from the national office, and coordinating them in a notebook/binder, and giving the updates to the newsletter editor.

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Fall Conference Features Dr. Roland Paul

Mark your calendar!

The Indiana Chapter, Palatines to America, along with the Indiana German Heritage Society are pleased to announce the fall conference speaker is Dr. Roland Paul.

Dr. Paul is from the Institute for the History and Culture of the Rhineland-Pfalz, and will present two lectures. The Institute is located in Kaiserslautern, Germany, and although a history institute, it has many genealogical records including an extensive collection of names of migrants to the USA.

Into the Pfalz: The first lecture will focus on the history of the lands along the Rhine River during the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries.

Due to these events there were mass migrations and resettlement of thousands of people. Among the events discussed are the Swiss migration to southwest Pfalz, the Huguenot exodus from France into southwest Pfalz, and the French occupation of the southwest Pfalz.

Out of the Pfalz: His second talk will focus on the 19th Century, and the historical events which pushed thousands of Germans to migrate to the USA. He will also discuss the impressions that North America made on these new citizens; from letters and newspa-

pers people sent their descriptions of life in the USA back to their homeland. What did they think of the USA?

Dr. Giles Hoyt, Professor of German Language, and German-American Studies at IUPUI; Indianapolis, will discuss, "The German Settlement of Indiana."



There will be a Question and Answer session and a translating session, so bring your old German documents and letters.

- 9:00 a.m. Registration and Greetings
- 9:30 a.m. Dr. Paul's lecture on Immigration to the Pfalz.
- 10:30 a.m. Short break.
- 10:45 a.m. Dr. Hoyt's lecture on German Migration into Indiana;
- 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.—Lunch—from the Rathskeller Restaurant (you pay for your own lunch)
- 1:15 p.m. Dr. Paul's lecture on 19th Century Emigration from the Pfalz;
- 2:15 p.m. Question and Answer session, and time for translations of documents.

The workshop registration form is on page 9.

Oktoberfest 2007

Oktoberfest began August 31– Sept. 2nd—and continues Friday, Sept. 7– Saturday Sept 8. The fest is at German Park, 8600 South Meridian Street, on the south side of Indianapolis. The park hours are 4 p.m. to midnight each day of the fest.

Join the fun! Hear Jay Fox and the Bavarian Showtime Band, and the Rheingold Band, as

well as enjoy the Kindertanzgruppe (Children's dance group).

Visit the Edelweiss Restaurant, the Biergarten, or listen to the Strolling Music, and Strolling Barbershop Quartet.

The Die Doppel Adler Band presents on Sat. Sept 1st from 7-11 in the Biergarten.

Story concludes on page 2



Hamburg, Germany — The BallinStadt, Hamburg's newest museum opened July 5, 2007. The museum is named after Albert Ballin, who built a "city within the city" to house emigrants who converged on Hamburg from all over Europe to take his Hapag shipping company's liners bound for the New World.

The Museum is dedicated to the five million Europeans who emigrated to the Americas from the port of Hamburg and is intended to attract tourists. The cost to build was 12 million euros.

Making their way through three replica buildings, BallinStadt visitors will not only peruse an exhibition of old/period artifacts and documents; they will search original Hamburg passenger lists on computers, with the help of Ancestry.com., located in the museum's entry building.

A German historian named Jorge Birkner, at the museum, with Brazilian roots and extended stays in the United States, stated that, "we didn't want to stick to a traditional museum concept." Those involved, "consider the whole interactive aspect innovative."

The interactive message extends throughout the museum, in the voices of mannequins (eerie to the listener) in period garb that begin reciting recorded immigrants' stories when a visitor steps near them. The flat computer screens show archival footage set into picture frames, etc.

The exhibits cover every stage of the immigrants' journeys—from the conditions that led them to flee their homelands to arrival on Ellis Island and beyond.

Story continued on page 5

German Information Websites

Footnote.com

LDS History Centers —thanks to an agreement reached, the LDS Family History Centers have free access within their facilities to records provided by Footnote.com. The Centers recently lost access to Ancestry.com records.

The story of Pastorius and the founding of Germantown, P.A. [Http://www-lib.iupui.edu/kade/germantown.html](http://www-lib.iupui.edu/kade/germantown.html).

The Immigration story on the website of the German Embassy: [Http://www.germany.info/relaunch/culture/ger_americans/paper.html](http://www.germany.info/relaunch/culture/ger_americans/paper.html).

Atlantic Times: Born German, Made American, http://www.atlantic-times.com/archive_detail.php?recordID=514.

October 3—Day of German Unity: <http://www.>

serve.com/shear/germusa/dayunity.htm.

The German immigration on the Goethe Website: <http://www.goethe.de/ins/us/lp/lm/en1544734.htm>.

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Editor: These websites were recommended by IU-PUI (Indiana University/Purdue University) Max Kade German-American Center and the Indiana German Heritage Society. July 2007

## Oktoberfest (continued from page 1)

Other entertainment includes Bingo, and Monte Carlo. The Melchior Marionettes have a show in the Biergarten from 4:30-7:00 on Sat., Sept 1st.

From 8:00-8:30 p.m. every day of the festival, the Die Fledermaeuschen Tanzgruppe will perform. (Adult Folk Dancing).

The Indy "G" Walkers, 10K Volksmarch, 2:30-4:00, Hill Stage, on Sat. Sept 8th.

In the Main Pavilion on Sun., Sept 2nd, the Rise & Shine Cloggers will perform at 6:00-6:30 p.m. and 9:00-9:30 p.m.

Peace Train with the Flower Power Brass will perform each day from 7:00-11:00 p.m. on the Hill Stage.

**Lots of things to do at the Oktoberfest, so join the fun on one or more days!**



## New Resources—Indiana Historical Society

The Indiana Historical Society has announced the recent acquisition and installation of Ancestry Library Edition, an online genealogy site with access to more than 4,000 databases, and 2 billion names. Most of the coverage is for the United States.

- U.S. federal census images and indexes from 1790 to 1930;
- Vital, church, court and immigration records;
- More than 1,000 historical maps;
- Daughters of the American Revolution Lineage (more than 150 volumes);
- Social Security Death Index (updated monthly);
- WWI Draft Registration Cards;
- Federal Slave Narratives and more.

## Development near the Historical Society

**Editor's Desk:** If you read the Indianapolis Star, you may have seen the article on May 15, 2007 relating to the proposed development of the tiny parcel of land on the east side of the canal between New York and Ohio streets.

The property is owned by the state of Indiana, and directly across the canal from the beautiful Indiana Historical Society building. Some information on the proposed use of the land is presented here.

The proposal from one of four developers would be a suite-type hotel with 140-160 beds—built next to the current government parking garage.

Currently, the hillside in question (one acre of land) is used at times by the public for seating when the Historical Society has their outdoor concerts.

To further fuel the debate, there is an interest in using some of the parking lot behind the Historical Society building where Historical Society employees and visitors now park. This is the other side of the canal within the same project. That discussion will, in one person's words be, "talked through with the Historical Society."

The vice president (Mark Dollase) of Historical

The Historical Society continues to subscribe to HeritageQuest Online, which is a wonderful resource for full-text state, local and family histories.

It also offers Periodical Source Index (PERSI), a comprehensive index covering genealogy and local history periodicals written since 1800, and produced with the Allen County Public Library.

There is free access to Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest Online available in the William Henry Smith Memorial Library on the second floor of the Indiana History Center.

Come to the library and explore these great tools.



Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, denounced the idea because "you can see quite a distance up and down the canal. That (hotel) could interrupt those views....." A worry is that the area would take on a "Las Vegas" type appearance.

A developer states the canal (area) "has a soul, but no heart" in pushing for the hotel development.

If you have ever sat on the patio at the outside tables next to the canal, for lunch or a concert, and enjoyed the view, it will certainly be changed with a large, busy hotel placed in this location, not to mention losing a portion of the parking spaces at the back of the I.H.S. building.

Your editor has written a letter to both the Society president and the Governor relating to this development.

President Herbst stated to me that "the proposals for the parking lot were not within the parameters of the State's request for proposals, so I think they were as surprised as anyone when those projects jumped the canal."

Photo—by Sharon Kennedy— 1999 Grand Opening of the Historical Society building; hill/1 acre of land mentioned in the story is to the right in the picture.



### Hamilton County, Indiana Probate Book



It has been announced that Jane Eaglesfield Darlington has abstracted and published *"Hamilton County, Indiana, Complete Probate Records, November 1829-May 1855."*

This 268-page volume is available from the Genealogical Society of Marion County for \$35 plus shipping and handling.

The book was compiled from microfilm of the Complete Record Books of Hamilton County. The books are in the Office of the Clerk in the Hamilton County Courthouse, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana.

The microfilm for this information is in the William Henry Smith Memorial Library of the Indiana Historical Society, in the Indiana History Center, 450 W. Ohio Street.

The book begins with the November 1829 term

and the estate of William Fallis, deceased. The final item in the main section is regarding the estate of William Ridgeway during the May 1855 term of the court.

The primary section is 148 pages. That is followed by 80 pages of inventories and a 37-page index of surnames and given names.

If you have early Hamilton County ancestors, this book may be helpful. The deceased children are there, including the married names of daughters.

The names of widows may be found as they renounce the rights to administer an estate. The states where brothers and sisters are living may be identified. Guardianships provide an ongoing record of children of children of the deceased!

For your copy—contact: GSMC, PO Box 2292, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

### German Language Courses

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For more information on upcoming classes,

please contact—Claudia Grossmann, Ph.D., German Program Coordinator:

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Telephone: (317) 274-3943 or [cgrossma@iupui.edu](mailto:cgrossma@iupui.edu). [Http://liberalarts.iupui.edu/wlac](http://liberalarts.iupui.edu/wlac).

### I.H.S. Speakers' Series



The Indiana Historical Society lunchtime speaker series, takes place from noon to 1 p.m. every first Wednesday of the month in the Cole Porter Room.

***Now That Time Has Had Its Say: A History of the Indianapolis Central Canal, 1835-2002,*** will be presented on September 5.

Constructed by the State from 1836-39, the Indiana Central Canal's water has been in continuous use for 168 years—a source of transportation,

water power, public water supply and economic redevelopment.

Join Canal historian Darrell Bakken as he discusses the ebbs and flow of the Canal's long, winding history.

This program is FREE of charge. Society website is: [www.IndianaHistory.org](http://www.IndianaHistory.org). Telephone: (800) 447-1830.

Source: the I.H.S. Programs & Events brochure, July/August/September 2007.



BallinStadt is not the first museum to introduce this topic. About two million people moved through nearby Bremerhaven, and it was a port of migration until the early 1970s. The German Emigration Center (museum) in Bremerhaven opened in 2005. It has become a major tourist attraction, and won the 2007 European Museum of the Year Award.

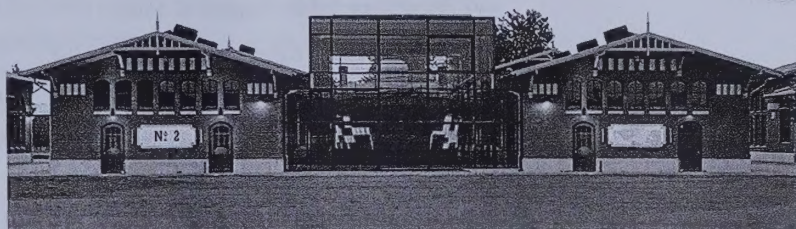
BallinStadt has the advantage in the passenger lists kept in Hamburg. They include, name, city of origin and port of embarkation, as well as the passengers' destination port, and in many cases, the final destination. Hamburg began digitizing the lists in 1999, first with the period from 1890 to 1912. Mr. Ballin, entered the emigration agency which was started by his father in the 19th century. He became general director of the

Hamburg America line, or Hapag, and opened BallinStadt (city) in 1901.

The original "city" was comprised of 30 one-story buildings. An estimated five million people passed through BallinStadt during that period.

Eastern European Jews fleeing economic and religious persecution were especially attracted to Hamburg. It is thought that half of America's Jewish population might have ancestors who passed through Hamburg.

Source: Material for this story rewritten excerpts from The New York Times article/online 7/15/07. By Andreas Tzortzis, published July 14.



## Ohio Chapter Fall Seminar

***The Ohio Chapter, Palatines to America and Tuscarawas County Chapter of OGS will co-sponsor the fall seminar, "Suche und Geschichte in Zoar" (Research and History of Zoar)***

Place: Zoar Tavern, Zoar, Ohio, October 13, 2007 from 9:00 a.m.—4 p.m.

Features Amy Johnson Crow speaking on "Finding Female Ancestors" and "Ten Years is a Long Time: Census Substitutes for the in-between Years."

Joanne McCue: "Introduction to Resources at TGS Library."

Steve Shonk presents "A Brief History of Zoar: Its Settlers and their Descendants."

Zoar Village Tour: 2:15 to 3:45 p.m.

Cost: \$35 includes Seminar and Lunch; Tour is \$5.00 extra.

Register by mail: S.J. Hall, 181 Heischmann Ave., Worthington, OH 43185; by phone: 614-886-4222;

E-mail: Subject: "RE: Fall Conf." to [sjbhall@aol.com](mailto:sjbhall@aol.com); online by PayPal: <http://www.oh-palam.org/>.

"Suche und  
Geschichte in  
Zoar" (Research  
and History in  
Zoar)

## The History Train

### INDIANA History TRAIN —

This fall, you can hop aboard the Indiana History Train and get a hands-on, close-up look at the Hoosiers whose lives were touched by the War between the States in the "Faces of the Civil War" exhibition.

The train will be stopping in: Indianapolis, Sept. 27-29; Wabash, Oct. 4-6; Valparaiso, Oct. 11-13;

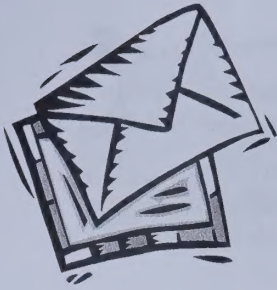
Fort Wayne, Oct. 18-20; and Kokomo, Oct. 25-27.

For more details/information about the History Train, visit [www.indianahistory.org/historytrain](http://www.indianahistory.org/historytrain).



Source: I.H.S. Programs and Events brochure, July/August/September 2007.





*Editor: My husband's sister, Audrey (quite a bit older than he) passed away this May 16th, and in boxing up various papers, we came across a typed letter that she had written to her four daughters prior to her 50th High School class reunion in 1995. I share some of her "wartime rationing" and other memories of that time with you.*

I entered high school in September 1941—the war started in December 1941—and even prior to that many people whom I knew had already enlisted, knowing that war was coming. All four of my high school years were war years. I graduated in June of 1945 (Beech Grove High School) and the war ended in August of 1945.

I, along with many others, lost a number of friends and acquaintances. One night in February of 1945, we were at a dance on the top floor of City Hall when someone came running in to report that a young man, age 18, whom I'd grown up with and dated a time or two, had been killed on Iwo Jima. The telegram arrived at his parents' house. I still have his picture in his Marine uniform. I wrote to him throughout the war and my letters were returned to his parents.

Wartime rationing was in effect. We had ration stamps for shoes (and any other clothing items that required rubber and leather); but we could buy canvas and other cloth type shoes without stamps.) There was no elastic in pajamas, underwear or whatever. Only drawstrings.

We had just come into having silk hose; there was no more silk—it went into parachutes. There was very little metal for machinery parts; buttons, household repairs. Much was made from rayon (nylon had just begun to come onto the market when the war started, and factories converted to wartime production).

Also rationed was food—especially meat, sugar, and coffee. Mother and Daddy couldn't eat without coffee to drink, and Mr. Hurst, Dave's dad (neighbor friends) who was from England and only drank tea, couldn't eat unless everything was covered with 1/2 inch of sugar, so I traded our sugar stamps for their coffee stamps.

There were many shortages, such as candy bars, cigarettes, (which did not affect me personally, other than standing in long lines when they be-

came available in order to buy them and send them to friends in the service that I wrote to and sent packages to.)

There were other shortages such as shampoo, soap, anything that required oil to produce. Of course, gasoline was rationed which didn't affect me because we didn't have a car.

Buses and trolleys were the mode of transportation, sometimes having to transfer two or three times to get somewhere because there was also a shortage of buses and the fuel to operate them with. They weren't maintained well because replacement parts, tires, etc. were not readily available. It was not unusual to go downtown after school or, if a person worked, and have to wait two hours or more until some bus showed up so you could get home.

Due to the war, my class ring was made from alloy, and we didn't have a year book. We had a mimeographed pamphlet. Our prom was held in the gym, with whatever ration stamps parents and teachers could contribute toward lunch meat and other refreshments. There was no band—just records.

You must remember there were no suburbs, no suburban movie theaters, no suburban shopping malls. Everything was downtown and that's where we went when we had 50 cents to spend. Although I was never allowed to date servicemen, the downtown streets were packed with them. They would come into (Camp) Atterbury or Fort Ben (Benjamin Harrison) as raw recruits and, after a few weeks, they would get a pass into Indianapolis.

They were, it appeared, the dregs of humanity. Right off the farm, the hills, and their first G.I. issue didn't fit them anywhere. Their hair was chopped off, the caps were too big, and sat on their ears, they were awkward, lost, and ill-suited for the task at hand.

But three months after this group of recruits arrived, you would see them, as a whole, spit and polished, and their hats fit, their uniforms no longer hung on their lank frames.

(Story concludes on page 7)



they had self-confidence, their heads held high, and they were ready! It was then that you thought—maybe we can win the war, after all!

The saddest group were the men that came to Fort Ben in the summer of 1944. I can't remember the regiment, I think it was the 106th — but I do remember the insignia—it was a lion's head.

Jeanne (her older sister, Mary "Jeanne" who died last August) spent all of her free time volunteering at what was then Marion County Hospital (now Wishard Memorial), and at the USO.

You remember hearing about the Battle of the Bulge? She got to know many of the 106th Army guys and dated one in particular. I can't remember his name, but he and a couple of others came to the house a number of times. Jeanne wrote to a good many of them, and one-by-one, after Bastoyne, her letters were returned to her, unopened, marked, "Deceased."

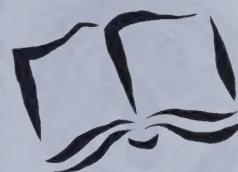
During my senior year—a number of guys started returning from service—either because of having being wounded, or maybe a family hardship, etc.

I took Physics in that year, and one of my former classmates returned from the Navy to finish his high school education. He sat in the back of the room and slept the entire time in that class, and the teacher made us be very quiet so as to not disturb his sleep.

Class responses were in hushed voices, because Hank was a hero and was due a great amount of respect. Compare that to Vietnam! (those returning were not treated well) Hank went on to be a commercial airline pilot.

If all of this sounds as though these were terrible, depressing years. It was a great time in which to grow up. People were real, friendships were for a lifetime, and divisiveness was unheard of. There's a lot to be said for living in a small town.

Editor: Some of our older members may have lived through this time period—but others, did not. I thought this was such an interesting piece of writing, on how things were in the early 1940s during World War II.



#### German-American Day Quiz—answers:

- 1) Clement Studebaker;
- 2) 2) Fr. Joseph Kundek;
- 3) 3) Amish;
- 4) 4) Rathskeller;
- 5) 5) Oldenburg;
- 6) 6) Duesenberg.

#### New Members

***We welcome new member, Jerry FELTMAN, Hamilton, AL to the Indiana chapter.***

To our chapter members who have renewed their membership early—for the 2007-08 year, we thank you very much!

#### Sick List

Treasurer, Nancy Meyer of Tipton, is recovering from knee replacement surgery that was completed on August 22nd. Our best wishes to you Nancy as you recover!

(Editor: Nancy's husband, Jim had this surgery—so he should be experienced in helping her thru the ordeal.

#### Death Notice

Florence Mary Herrmann, former Danville, Indiana resident, died Monday, August 6, 2007 at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center in Myrtle Beach, SC. She was 82.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Irvin Leroy Herrmann.

Florence was active in the Indiana Chapter of the Palatines for many years. She served as

Treasurer from the Spring of 1985 to the summer of 1995, as well as Corresponding Secretary for a time. She served the Indiana chapter well in the early years of its existence.

Our sympathy to her children and other family members.

Florence was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.







**How is your knowledge of things German in Indiana?**

**Indiana Word Bank:** Fr. Joseph Rudolf, Fr. Joseph Kundek, Richard Lieber, Amish, Tony Hulman, Clement Studebaker;

Rathskeller, Oldenburg, New Harmony, Duesenberg, Heidelberg Haus Café, Harmonists.

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ was a member of a family of successful wagon, carriage, and automobile manufacturers in South Bend?
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ was the missionary priest who founded the town of Ferdinand, and several other villages in southern Indiana?

- 3) The \_\_\_\_\_ still use the German language and have settlements in northern, as well as in southern Indiana.
- 4) The \_\_\_\_\_ restaurant serves authentic German food and is the oldest continuing restaurant in Indianapolis. It is located in the Deutsche Haus-Athenaeum.
- 5) The German-American community of \_\_\_\_\_ in southeastern Indiana is known as "The Village of Spires."
- 6) The \_\_\_\_\_ is perhaps the most beautiful automobile ever built.

Answers on page 7.

**Beginning German Conversation**

***Beginning GERMAN CONVERSATION—***

Traveling to Germany soon? Doing business with Germans? Want to brush up on your college German?

The Indiana German Heritage Society offers a course for you to acquire basic communicative skills in a fun and relaxed atmosphere at the historic Athenaeum building in downtown Indianapolis.

Place: Athenaeum (Max Kade Room), 401 East Michigan Street, Indianapolis.

Dates: Monday, Sept. 10—Oct. 29, 2007, 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$85.00 per person, \$150.00 per couple. (Member price: \$75 per person/\$125 per couple)

Instructor: Renee Gregory (IUPUI associate faculty)

For more information and to register, contact: Claudia Grossmann, (317) 274-3943, or [cgrossma@iupui.edu](mailto:cgrossma@iupui.edu).

**This and That!**

**Indianapolis Italian Ancestry?:** Professor James J. Divita, a retired historian at Marian College, Indianapolis, has written "Indianapolis Italians," a 128-page, 200 photograph pictorial history. The book is part of Arcadia Publishing's Images of America series. You may purchase the book directly from the author by calling (317) 293-4607. The cost is \$19.99 plus postage, and for Hoosiers, Indiana sales tax.

**Former National Archivist Dies:** Robert M. Warner, who led the National Archives and Services Administration in its successful quest to gain independence from the General Services Administration, died April 24 in Ann Arbor, MI. Dr. Warner was the nation's sixth ar-

chivist. He was appointed by President Jimmy Carter in 1980.

**Online with Ivan:** Do you own Family Tree Maker 2006? That version works fine on earlier Windows operated computers. If you have upgraded to Windows Vista, then you need to get the free download that will upgrade your software to Family Tree Maker 16. It is available at <http://www.familytreemaker.com>. Click on the FAQ tab. The first item deals with FTM and Windows Vista.



## Dates to Remember

**Oct. 6: Palatines to America, New York Chapter fall meeting.** Old Dutch Church, Wall Street, Kingston, NY. E-mail: [newyorkpalam@palam.org](mailto:newyorkpalam@palam.org).

**Oct. 13: Palatines to America, Pennsylvania Chapter fall meeting.** Genetic Genealogy, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Yoder's Restaurant & Buffet, 14 South Tower Road, New Holland, PA 17557. E-mail: [pennpalam@palam.org](mailto:pennpalam@palam.org).

**Oct. 20: "Illinois: The Way West, Tracing Your Migrating Ancestors."** The fall conference of the Illinois State Genealogical Society to be held in Elmhurst, Illinois. For information: [www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/) or contact the conference chair at [IGS2007Conference@yahoo.com](mailto:IGS2007Conference@yahoo.com).

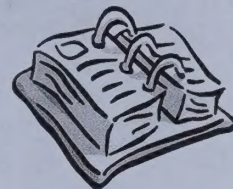
**Oct. 21-28: Research trip to Salt Lake City.** Leader, Mary Lou Delahunt. Tele: 309-344-5116.

**Oct. 27: Palatines to America, Colorado Chapter fall workshop and annual meeting.** Holiday Inn, Lakewood, CO. Tim Ostwald, 303-443-9466, or e-mail, [Itostwald@worknet.att.net](mailto:Itostwald@worknet.att.net), or [coloradopal-am@palam.org](mailto:coloradopal-am@palam.org).

**Oct. 27: West Virginia Chapter, PalAm, fall meeting.**

**? 2008: IGS (Indiana Genealogical Society) will hold its 2008 conference in Evansville, Indiana.** The site has not been chosen. The choice will allow attendees to research the holdings at Willard Library, 21 N. First Ave., which has an outstanding collection of genealogical and historical material.

**June 19-21, 2008: Palatines to America, National conference at the Midwest Conference and Hotel Center, Columbus, OH.** Mary Hess and Jerry Miller are co-chairs of the event.



## Chapter National Library Survey

*Indiana Chapter members — what is your opinion?*

*Please respond to questions 1-4, regarding your experience, and opinion of our national library in Columbus, Ohio. Thank you!*

1) Have you ever visited the Palatines to America National Library in Columbus, OH?

2) If you have visited the library, did you find that your visit was successful/finding material on your ancestry?

3) Do you plan to visit the library this year, or in

the future?

4) Any comments/questions regarding the library, its location, collections, etc?

Please send your comments to editor, Sharon Kennedy, 46 Bay Hill Circle, Brownsburg, IN 46112, or e-mail me at [SKenn63523@aol.com](mailto:SKenn63523@aol.com). You may also bring this survey to our September 22nd meeting.

*"Help us out  
please—by answering  
in this survey!"*

## Workshop Registration

*Please register me for the IN Chapter Pal-Am/  
Indiana German Heritage Society fall workshop,  
Saturday, September 22, 2007.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

*Registration fee: Pal-Am and IGHS members, students: \$10.00. All others, non-members, \$15.00.*

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail check or money order to: Nancy I. Meyer,  
IN Chapter Registrar, 234 W. Jefferson Street, Tipton,  
IN 46072-1850.

*Thank you for your reservation!*





## Palatines to America

Sharon A. (Heeke) Kennedy  
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*Researching Your German Ancestry*



Palatines to America is a national genealogical society founded in 1975. Membership is available to any interested person, library or school. Annual dues are \$35, individual or institution. \$40 family; (two persons at the same address). Dues include membership in the national, and one chapter, of which there are currently seven: CO, IL, IN, NY, OH, PA, and WV.

**SEND YOUR QUERIES, LETTERS OR STORIES**—to the editor, at least two weeks prior to the publication dates which are: March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1. Let's get your family history story told!

**National Office:** Write to Palatines to America, Membership Registrar, 616 East Weber Road, Columbus, OH 43211. Telephone: (614) 267-4700. Fax: (614) 267-4888. NEW – E-mail: [correspond@palam.org](mailto:correspond@palam.org).  
Change of address: Please send these to the Weber Road address!



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# Indiana Palatines



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## Genealogy Workshop, October 14th

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- Translating
- Andersonville Prison
- Scoundrel Stories
- Our Sympathy
- Conrad Yeager, Harrison County, IN
- Hands-on Cemetery Preservation Workshop
- Annual Meeting Minutes

### *“Combining a Family History Project with a DNA Study” and “What is the Role of a DNA Family Historian?”*

On Saturday, October 14, 2006, the Indiana Chapter, Palatines to America will host Denise Mortorff, of Atascadero, CA, who will give presentations about the above subjects.

The workshop will be held at the Indiana State Library, Author's Room, (2nd floor) 140 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis. The programs will begin at 9:00 a.m.—and conclude at 1:00 p.m.

The first presentation is a Case Study of the Combs-Coombs & the c-International DNA Study from the initial planning and development through implementation on the World Wide Web.

The second lecture defines what should be accomplished & how to approach melding

family history & science.

Denise is a University lecturer, DNA Family Historian and is an experienced genealogical researcher.

Further details including outlines of the DNA discussions can be found on page 3.

Registration Fee: Pal-Am member, \$5; Non-member, \$10. You may bring a morning beverage and/or snack.

**German Translations**—Translators from the Indiana German Heritage Society will be available to assist you by reading the script and handwriting of your old documents and letters; bring a good copy for evaluation.

A registration form is enclosed with this newsletter. Come join us!



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## German Day Weekend

This year, the German-American Citizens League sponsors its third annual German Day Weekend in honor of the 111th German Day! The festivities begin at the historic Findlay Market in the Over-the-Rhine district (Greater Cincinnati) on Saturday, June 10th, (11 a. m.) and continues on Sunday, June 11th at the HB Newport.

On Saturday, (11 a.m.—11 p.m.) enjoy the opening parade at the Findlay Market, as well

as the German heritage of the Market. On Sunday, enjoy the fine food and beverage and German music at the Hofbräuhaus Newport. The GACL will offer great hourly raffle prizes throughout the day! Parking is free and there's no charge for admission.

For further details: [www.findlaymarket.org](http://www.findlaymarket.org), and [www.hofbrauhausnewport.com](http://www.hofbrauhausnewport.com), & [www.gacl.org](http://www.gacl.org).



## Indiana History Center Classes



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### *Genealogical Research on the Internet,*

Thursday, June 15, 2006; Time: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Location: Indiana History Center; Cost \$60; \$48 Members. This advanced computer lab provides a hands-on opportunity to explore a number of genealogy research tools available on the Internet. Learn what can be found and how to make the best use of sites such as GenSmarts, NewsRover, Google News Alerts. Presenter Beau Sharbrough is the founder of the FGS website, The GENTECH website, and the Lexicon Working Group. Registration deadline is June 5. Call (317) 232-1882 to register.

### *Getting the Most Out of Ancestry.com,*

Friday, June 16, 2006; Time: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Location: Indiana History Center; Cost \$60; \$48 members. Ancestry. Com is the largest genealogy reference website on the Internet. Presenter Beau Sharbrough will guide workshop participants through the site, with special attention to what's new and how the site can be used to help connect family members. Time will also be devoted to RootsWeb, the affiliated site that is home to the largest online genealogy community. There will be a live connection to the Internet. Registration deadline is June 5. Call (317) 232-1882 to register. (cont'd page 6)

## Translating

Illinois Chapter Newsletter, March 06

The following article contains the website for an on-line site that will translate material. It is the Ajax Translator by Joel Parish at: <http://ajax.parish.ath.cx/translator>.

There are two boxes; you type in the material to be translated, and the translation appears in the second box as you type. It works quickly with good results.

You can translate German to English or the reverse. There is a chart between the two boxes that makes it easy to insert umlauts and other letters with marks.

The Ajax Translator also handles French, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish. The translation can be any direction between two languages. Of course most useful for us is German/English, but you might need the other languages for a different surname.

## New Members!

*We welcome the following new members to the Indiana chapter!*

Gary L. Link, 14 Buckhorn Court, Warrenton, MO 63383;

Charles W., and Gretchen A. Meiser, 2402 W. Fourth Avenue, Sault Sainte Marie, MI 49783-1212;

Janith K. Masteryanni, 1506 Kenmore Street, Port Charlotte, FL 33952-2531.

Janet Rupp Bates, 1713 Cloister Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46260-1066.



If you would like to submit a query to this newsletter, or a list of your surnames, please do so. Send to the address on the back of the newsletter, or send me an e-mail at, [SKenn63523@aol.com](mailto:SKenn63523@aol.com). Let's help each other find those missing ancestors!



# Workshop Outline

by Denise Mortorff, Lecturer & Family Historian

## ***Combining a Family History Project with a DNA Study:***

Overview of Presentation/Background/How to Get the Most from the Presentation;

Groundwork—

- Assessing Your Project or Study Framework;
- Defining What You Need to Move Your Project/Study Forward;
- Identifying a DNA Study model that fits your Research Goals;

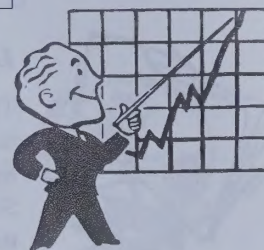
Selecting a DNA Company for Testing—

- DNA Tests Typically Used for Family History;
- Test Company Services vs. Your Project/Study Needs
- Choices To Be Made—Testing Labs/Accreditation/Test Availability/Testing Methods/Surname Base/Report Turn Around Time/Fee Structure/Support Resources;

Planning/Development/Implementing Your Study Objectives;

- Phases, Communication, Resources;

Case Study Review—a step-by-step review of the creation and integration of a DNA Study with an existing & advanced family history project; key learnings delineated.



## ***What is the Role of a “DNA Family Historian?”***

Overview of Presentation/Background/How to get the Most from the Presentation;

How ready are you to perform a Family History and a DNA Study? (pre-assessment)

Your decision-making style and how it can affect your approach to bringing together a family history project with a DNA Study;

Factors that can affect your ability to take on the role of a DNA Family Historian.

Elements to review before assuming a role—Varied approaches, phases, nature of decision-making required, and type responsibility to be assumed;

Working hard vs. working smart at integrating family history research and DNA science—project design and the importance of involving and learning from other researchers, projects and studies;

Resources to support you in the role of DNA Family Historian.

*All researcher levels can benefit from these lectures (can be particularly beneficial to genealogists involved in advanced family history projects or surname studies considering or in the process of DNA testing.)*

*“Factors that can affect your ability to take on the role of a DNA Family Historian.”*

## **Palatine/Rhenanian-Hesse Church books**

**ONLINE CATALOG:** There is a new on-line catalogue of interest to people doing German research.

The state-archive of Rheinland-Pfalz (Rhenania-Palatinate) has issued a new online-catalogue of the Palatine and Rhenanian-Hesse church books at the following website: <http://www.lha-rlp.de/aktuell/kalender/archiv.html>.

The catalogue is available as a downloadable PDF-file, containing also a register of villages and municipalities. Download: Kirchenbuch.pdf.



Source: Colorado chapter newsletter, Mar. 2006



## Types of U.S. Naturalization Records



### *Declarations of Intention (also called First Papers)*

The record by which an applicant for U.S. citizenship declared their intent to become a citizen and renounced their allegiance to a foreign government. Early records of this type (before 1906) usually will have: name, country of birth or allegiance (but not town), date of the application and signature. Some (but very few) show the date and port of arrival in the U.S. After September 26, 1906 much more detailed information is given including place of birth and port and date of arrival.

A Declaration of Intention normally preceded proof of residence or a petition to become a citizen by two or more years. Exceptions: a person who entered the country while a minor, honorable military discharges, a person married to a citizen.

Beginning in 1795 a person could declare their intent to become a citizen at any time after they arrived in the United States. A few people did this almost immediately upon arrival.

The Declaration of Intention requirement ended in 1952 (although immigrants can still file one if they want to—it is optional).

### *Naturalization Petitions*

Following the Declaration of Intention, and meeting the residency requirements an applicant then filed this petition for formal application for U.S. citizenship.

There was a 5 year residency requirement (in the U.S.) to become naturalized (raised to 14 years in 1798, lowered back to 5 in 1802). Generally minor children (not born in the U.S.) could derive citizenship from their father, when the father was naturalized.

From 1855 to 1922 alien women became citizens automatically if they married an American citizen. Women could derive citizenship from their spouses until 1922 when the law was changed. After September 22, 1922, an alien woman who married a U.S. citizen could skip the Declaration of Intention and file for a Naturalization Petition. But if an alien woman married an alien man (after September 22, 1922) she would have to start her Naturalization proceedings at the beginning with a Declaration of Intention.

### *Certificates of Arrival*

On this form, the immigrant listed the port name, date and ship of arrival. Copies of this form were sent to the port of entry and checked by a clerk, who located the immigrant's passenger list. If a corresponding record was found, the INS issued a certificate of arrival and sent it to the naturalization court. Certificates of arrival were first issued under the Basic Naturalization Act of 1906, which went into effect on September 27, 1906. These certificates are generally included in a naturalization records file.

#### *Records of Naturalization and Oaths of Allegiance*

*The document granting U.S. citizenship to petitioners. Sometimes called the Certificate of Naturalization.*

You may not always find every type of record mentioned here for your ancestor. Slightly different records were kept during different time periods. In some cases all of the records are combined together in a single petition and record file.

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Source: LGS (Louisville Genealogical Society) News April 2005



## EWZ Records for More Modern German Ancestors

*An interesting article in the April "Yorker Palatine" newsletter, submitted by Diethard Kolewe gave information about the EWZ Records. (Einwandererzentralstell)*

*The EWZ forms were completed by people from eastern Europe who were ethnic Germans, but may actually have been citizens of Poland, the Soviet Union, or France. These files were created by the Immigration Center of the German government and dealt with the immigration and naturalization of qualified ethnic Germans for Reich citizenship.*

*About 2.1 million individuals were processed between 1939-1945. Usually a family was processed together. Any individual over the age of 15 was registered separately.*

*These files are only a small portion of data collected from the German Ministry of the Interior, and were captured, for the most part by the U.S. Army near the close of World War II. This information was important because it contained the files of the German S.S. The Berlin Documentary Center was established to process these documents, and they were microfilmed before they were returned to the German government.*



The "antraege" or applications have been microfilmed, but are available only from the National Archives. The card index and the "Stammblatte," family forms are available through the Family History Library.

Previously, the only place the 8,000 microfilms could be viewed was the Archives II, College Park, MD. Now two sets of the EWZ records are available through the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. (LDS)

The family forms are filed by number rather than alphabetically, so you need to find the family index cards first!

If you find your ancestor in these files you will have a photograph, information about the applicant's family history, health history, and his/her ability to speak German. The records are in German, so you will have to be able to read German, or have your paperwork translated.

*Editor: These records would not be useful to those researching 18th century Palatine ancestors, but those with more modern German ancestors may find the information helpful.*

## Andersonville Prison

### *Just a reminder!*

There is a volunteer named Kevin available at the Andersonville Historic Site who will do research in the prison records. Of the 41,000 Union soldiers on record, 1,954 were from Indiana. If you have an ancestor who was held prisoner, or died at this prison and you would like the record, you may e-mail Kevin at, "Frye@pstel.net." Kevin is the Andersonville Historic Site Historian/NPS Volunteer. [www.angelfire.com/ga2/Andersonvilleprison/index.html](http://www.angelfire.com/ga2/Andersonvilleprison/index.html).



Source: Information was received from Kevin via e-mail at the Dubois County, Indiana website—INDUBOIS-L-@rootsweb.com.. Check it out!



## Scoundrel Stories

excerpts by permission, Sharon Tate Moody



Check "all records" available.

*Editor: While on vacation recently in the Tampa area, I found a column entitled, "Scoundrel Stories" in a local newspaper, the Tampa Tribune. The article was written by Sharon Tate Moody, president of the Association of Professional Genealogists.. Here is a brief account of the story.*

*She related, "having a scoundrel in the family may not have been fun for that ancestor's siblings, parents or children, but most of us take great glee in finding the black sheep or family skeleton!"*

A researcher thought Sharon's ancestor, Samuel Maddox had died between 1832 and 1840, when his name did not appear on the 1840 census. Upon searching un-indexed court records in Monroe County, GA., Sharon found a very different picture of the ancestor, Maddox.

Maddox had been warned that he was not welcome on family property after serving about 5 years for a previous crime. He showed up on the doorstep of his son, in August 1840, and a confrontation took place. He attacked both his daughter-in-law with a piece of firewood, and his wife, with a knife. (neither of the women died)

During a four-year sentence in prison after the attacks, "*records show he (Maddox) committed suicide a year into the sentence.*"

Suggestions for finding this type of material include, court records pertaining to felony matters, in the jurisdiction your ancestor lived; newspapers of the day; which in many cases gave detailed accounts of the local happenings.

## Our Sympathy!

**RUTH RENTON**— *Our sympathy to the family of Ruth Renton, of Upper St. Clair, PA. Ruth had been a member of Pal-Am since 1980, and passed away after a short illness on March 4, 2006.*

*Messages of sympathy may be sent to Ruth's daughter, Gail Renton Dowell, 368 North Main Street, Hudson, OH 44236.*

**RICHARD A. ENOCHS**— *The local genealogy community was saddened to learn of the death of Richard*

*A. Enochs, a well-known researcher. Richard died unexpectedly on March 8, 2006, at age 72.*

*He worked as a genealogist for the past 25 years, and was the author of genealogical texts, published numerous articles, and lectured on genealogical subjects. He was the past President of the Indiana Genealogical Society and a member of the Indiana Historical Society.*

*Richard was also a member and served on the Board of Directors of the Indiana State Archives.*

## Indiana History Center Classes (cont'd, page 2)

### **Ancestry.com: Past, Present, Future,**

Saturday, June 17, 2006; Time: 10 a.m – Noon;  
Location: Indiana History Center; Cost: \$10; \$8 Members.

This lecture will give you an insider's view of Ancestry.com, celebrating its tenth anniversary online. Presenter, Beau Sharbrough will describe how the site started, what it currently offers, and

future plans. Sharbrough's computer programming career began in 1980 as a senior product manager at Ancestry.com.

Registration deadline is June 5. Call, (317) 232-1882 to register.





## Things of Interest!



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Indiana State Archives is seeking additional volunteers to make its records more accessible. Among the main areas in which you may help are military records, land records, naturalization records and photographs. If you can help, send an e-mail to [arc@icpr.in.gov](mailto:arc@icpr.in.gov). This is a great training ground for learning to read early records and to decipher names.

**CIVIL WAR FAMILIES:** The Indiana Genealogical Society has established a lineage affiliate, the Society of Civil War Families of Indiana. Any Indiana Genealogical Society member who is a direct descendant of any person who served in an Indiana Civil War Union military unit, or who

was a resident of Indiana upon joining a non-Indiana Union unit, may apply for membership. Ron Darrah of the Genealogical Society of Marion County is heading this effort. For more information go to [www.indgensoc.org](http://www.indgensoc.org). The website has information on how to document your Civil War ancestor. They also have more than 100 links to sites pertaining to the Civil War.

**CHURCH HISTORIES:** Do you have, or can you obtain a history of an Indianapolis (Marion County) church? The book/booklet could be contributed to the Genealogical Society

of Marion County's library located at Crown Hill Cemetery/Waiting Station. (Contact Ron, the librarian at [darrah@comcast.net](mailto:darrah@comcast.net))

**USING ROOTSWEB:** Understanding the SSDI. RootsWeb hosts a full-featured version of the Social Security Death Index (SSDI) (<http://ssdi.rootsweb.com/>). Information in this searchable database comes from the Social Security Administration's Death Master File, and is updated on a monthly basis when SSA forwards the previous month's updates of additions and corrections to RootsWeb. There is a lag period between the death of the individual and the time his/her name appears on the SSDI monthly update. RootsWeb newsletter, April 2006)

**BEFORE ELLIS ISLAND—CASTLE GARDEN:** From 1830 to 1892 immigrants entering America through New York stopped at Castle Gardens, now called Clinton Gardens, it's actual original name was Castle Clinton.

Perhaps your ancestor passed through this port of entry along with 10 million other people before Ellis Island in 1892? Check out the website, [www.nps.gov/cacl](http://www.nps.gov/cacl).

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**Newsletter Editor:** Sharon A. (Heeke) Kennedy,

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**Editor:** At the spring workshop, Betty Warren, a long-time chapter member, and our secretary gave an excellent presentation relating to "Your German Ancestors." She discussed Spelling of the name; Places and Times. Language barriers, Where do you start? A sheet of Suggested Research Sources was included with her handout, along with several pages introducing Ritter's Lexikon, another good source. Betty gives presentations occasionally at the Indiana Historical Society, and is an employee in the Genealogy Division of the Indiana State Library.

*Family History Seminar and Book Fair, Saturday, August 26, 2006, 8:30 to 4:00 p.m. Louisville Genealogical Society. Main Speaker, JOHN KONVALINKA, CG, CGI. Lectures \$10/each. Univ. of Louisville/Shelby Campus Founders Union Bldg. Konvalinka teaches genealogy at Rutgers / Princeton universities. [www.rootsweb.com/~kylgs](http://www.rootsweb.com/~kylgs) for details.*





## Conrad Yeager, Harrison County, IN



*Editor: Some readers may remember a couple of years ago there was a story in this newsletter about an old marriage license I had information on—with the surname, Baggerly. I remembered a query I had read in the Hoosier Genealogist magazine with that name and was able to locate Joyce Baggerly. I put her in touch with the person who had the marriage certificate. We have been corresponding off and on, and Joyce sent me an article about her YEAGER ancestor. Joyce is a resident of Provo, Utah.*

*Needing one more class to complete my course work to receive a certificate in genealogy from Brigham Young University (BYU), I decided I'd take a German Research class. After all, according to family tradition, my 3rd great grandmother, Anna Marie Yeager, had never learned English. And, one of my favorite professors would be teaching it and he assured me I wouldn't have to know German to be able to pass the class.*

*I reasoned the class just might help me get the Yeager family back into Germany. Dutifully, I did all the assignments and received a good grade, but did not "jump the pond." I checked every Harrison County resource I could put my hands on and could not find a reference to Conrad Yeager's German origin, nor any reference to him ever being naturalized.*

Shortly after finishing the class, the Indiana Research Outline (first published in 1988 by the FHL) came out and under NATURALIZATION AND CITIZENSHIP was listed "An Index to Indiana Naturalization Records Found in Various Order Books of the Ninety-two Local Courts Prior to 1907." (Indianapolis: Indiana Historical Society, 1981, FHL book 977.2 P42i). Feeling sure that my research in Harrison County had proven that he had never been naturalized, but trying to be a careful researcher, the next time I was at the FHL I looked in the Index, and there he was—in CLARK County. (IN)

I had never found a mention of the family ever living in Clark County, but if that was where he was naturalized, then I'd get the information from the clerk of the court (the records for the early period of his naturalization were not in the FHL). A quick letter brought copies of the two pages of Conrad's naturalization, including the table below.

| Name          | Place of Birth                                 | Age      | Nation  | Allegiance         | County from which he emigrated | Place of intended Settlement.       |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Conrad Yeager | Town of Melsougen in the County of North Rhine | 33 Years | Germany | King of Westphalia | Jefferson County Virginia      | Jeffersonville Clark County Indiana |

Indiana, Clark County Circuit Court Naturalization Vol 4, p 493, 8 Nov 1819

In the envelope from the Circuit court was a second copy of this chart, where a very helpful clerk had greatly magnified the left hand corner, then annotate it with "Melsougen" as the name of the town where Conrad was born. I'm not sure I would have been able to read it otherwise.

Notice the right hand side of the box, which requested "Place of Intended Settlement," is Jeffersonville, Clark County. In the 1820 U.S. Census, just a few months later, the Conrad Yeager family was in Harrison County, where he had bought land on 23, March 1820. Some of his descendants still live in Harrison County.

So, between the Indiana Research Outline, and a helpful court clerk, I found what I had not been able to find during a whole semester long class. Again, I learned the lesson that, there's always somewhere else to look! (story continued on page 9)



## Meetings, Conferences and Workshops



**Jun. 7-10: National Genealogical Society. Annual Conference in the States.** Hyatt Regency O'Hare, Rosemont, Illinois. Theme: "They Passed This Way.." More than 140 lectures, workshops, and networking events. There will be specialized programs for local, national, military and ethnic research. Information at [www.ngsgenealogy.org](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org).

**Jun. 8, 20: 9:30 a.m.: Indiana State Library.** A tour of the library's family history resources, 415 W. Ohio Street. Free, but you must pre-register at (317) 232-3689.

**Aug. 30-Sept. 2: FGS/NEHGS Conference.** Boston, MA. Contact: [www.fgs.com](http://www.fgs.com).

**Aug. 5: Kentucky Genealogical Society—32nd annual seminar**, featuring Lloyd D. Bockstruck. He will speak on "Searching for Our Ancestors in Maryland and North Carolina. Check their website for details.

**Sept. 29-30: Pennsylvania Genealogy Conference.** "The Keystone to Your Heritage." Pittsburgh, PA. Sponsored by The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania and The Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society. Contact: [www.pagenealogyconference.com](http://www.pagenealogyconference.com).

**Apr. 28, 2007: Indiana Genealogical Society.. Conference, Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne.** More details to follow.

## Conrad Yeager, Harrison County, IN

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The FHL Indiana Research Outline has been revised twice since the first one came out in 1988; the latest revision was in 2001, which includes website addresses. Research Outlines are a giant reservoir of sources for anyone doing serious genealogical research, in Indiana or any of the other states in the U.S., and many other countries, including Germany. All Research Outlines can be downloaded at [www.FamilySearch.org](http://www.FamilySearch.org); go to the right hand side under "Forms, maps, and guides." Warning: be prepared to print many pages!

*Editor: If you have YEAGER OR BAGGERLY ancestry and would like to contact Joyce, please send me an e-mail or note and I will get you in touch with her.*

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## Workshop Registration

**Please register me for the IN Chapter Pal-Am fall workshop, Saturday, 14, October 2006**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: Pal-Am member, \$5; \$10 non-member—Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail check or money order to:

Nancy I. Meyer, IN Chapter Registrar, 234 W. Jefferson Street, Tipton, IN 46072-1850.

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## Basic Hands-on Cemetery Preservation Workshop



The Indiana Historical Society will be offering its basic and advanced cemetery preservation workshop again. The basic workshop, "*Straightening Up the Yard: Basic Hands-on Cemetery Preservation Workshop*," will provide each participant with individual instructions and hands-on experience in cemetery research and preservation. Participants will have direct contact with speakers and an opportunity to ask specific questions related to cemetery preservation, restoration, and research.

**Day One: Gravestone Symbolism and Art; Cemetery Law and Registry, Friday, June 9, 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Location: Indiana History Center, Indianapolis.**

Sheila Riley, long-standing member of the Association for Gravestone Studies, will draw on more than 20 years of research experience to discuss the symbolism, artistry, and traditions of Indiana pioneer cemeteries and Jeannie Regan-Dinius, DHPA-DNR employee and coordinator of the Indiana Cemetery Registry, will address Indiana legislation that affects cemetery preservation work and the Indiana Cemetery and Burial Grounds Registry.

**Day Two: Basic Cemetery Restoration Workshop, Saturday, June 10, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Location: White Chapel Cemetery, Hamilton County, Indiana.**

Participants will take individual stones through the entire preservation process, from cleaning to straightening and resetting. Instructors, John Walters, Micki Walters, and Daniel Faris will instruct and supervise participants in the use of appropriate preservation techniques. Participants will learn and practice skills including stone cleaning, resetting leaning stones, resetting stones in slotted bases, and global positioning system.

Day One ONLY (June 9): \$5 Historical Society members; \$10 non-members.

Day One AND Day Two (June 9-10): \$15 Historical Society members; \$20 non-members.

Space is limited; however registration is open until the workshop is filled. Confirmations, including maps and directions will be sent. Download a copy of the registration brochure at <<http://www.indianahistory.org/lhs/workshops.html>> and contact Corrie E. Cook, (317) 233-8913; or e-mail [ccook@indianahistory.org](mailto:ccook@indianahistory.org) for more information.

## Sites Offering Heirloom Charts

[www.ancestor-circles.com](http://www.ancestor-circles.com); [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com); [www.generationmaps.com](http://www.generationmaps.com); [www.picgene.com](http://www.picgene.com);  
[www.reflectionsartistry.com](http://www.reflectionsartistry.com); [www.somebodytellme.com/ft/familytree.htm](http://www.somebodytellme.com/ft/familytree.htm); [www.keepsakefamilytree.com](http://www.keepsakefamilytree.com)."

**Polish Roots:** [www.polishroots.org](http://www.polishroots.org)

**Bremen Passenger Lists:** [www.schiffslisten.de/index\\_en.html](http://www.schiffslisten.de/index_en.html)

**Federation of Eastern European Family History Societies:** [Feehfs.org](http://Feehfs.org)



## INDIANA CHAPTER PALATINES TO AMERICA

### ANNUAL MEETING ATHAENEUM, INDIANAPOLIS IN 20 APRIL 2006

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 am by President James Feit, following the sessions presented by Betty L. Warren, *Your German Ancestors* and the open discussion of specific sources for German Research. Twenty-six present.

Secretary Betty L. Warren read the minutes of the March 2004 meeting, since no PalAm meeting was convened at the spring 2005 gathering held in conjunction with the German Heritage Society. Hearing no additions or corrections, minutes approved as read.

Treasurer Nancy I. Meyer's report indicated a previous balance of \$3,402.06 plus \$106 on hand to deposit equaling \$3,508.06 total. Current expenses are paid up, except for today's expenditures yet to be submitted. Financial report to be filed for audit. Nancy announced that the 2005 annual report is ready for audit; President Feit requested it be sent to him to relay on to an auditor.

President Feit then opened nominations and called for volunteers to fill chapter offices. The current Secretary and Treasurer agreed to continue in office. The Vice-Presidential perk of selecting the topic and speaker for meetings was mentioned. Hearing none, nominations were closed. The slate presented:

President, vacant

Vice-President, vacant

Secretary, Betty L. Warren

Treasurer, Nancy I. Meyer

The slate presented was unanimously accepted. Treasurer Nancy I. Meyer announced that she would also continue as Registrar (an appointed position). Sharon Kennedy announced she would also continue as newsletter editor and membership chairman (also appointed positions). Question was raised about what to do about the Chapter Presidential vacancy for communication with National PalAm, since it is the Chapter President who receives that information. Some discussion followed including Bylaws requirements and other state chapter officers' status. As newsletter editor, Sharon Kennedy volunteered to accept that information and relay it to the Indiana Chapter PalAm membership through the newsletter.

#### **Old Business:**

None brought up.

#### **New Business:**

The Indiana Chapter PalAm fall meeting will be 14 October 2006 at the Indiana State Library. Denise Mortorff will speak on *Combining a Family History Project with a DNA Study* and *What is the Role of a DNA Family Historian?* Registration flyers were distributed.

PalAm National Conference will be held in Richmond VA this June.

Secretary Betty L. Warren announced that the Allen County Public Library would be closed the month of December into January in preparation for the move into their newly remodeled facility in Fort Wayne.

President Feit announced that translators from the Indiana German Heritage Society would be available following this meeting to read the script of your old document or letter.

Meeting adjourned at 11:54 by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty L. Warren, Secretary

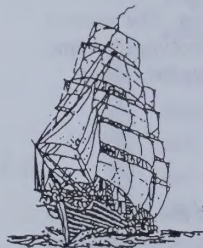


## Palatines to America

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**SEND YOUR QUERIES, LETTERS OR STORIES** to the editor at least two weeks prior to the publication dates which are March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1. Let's get your family history story told.



For the National office write to: *Palatines to America*, Membership Registrar, 616 East Weber Road, Columbus, OH 43211. Telephone: (614) 267-4700. Fax: (614) 267-4888. E-mail: [Pal-Am@juno.com](mailto:Pal-Am@juno.com) Website: [www.palam.org](http://www.palam.org).

**Change of Address:** Please send these to the Weber Road address.

*PALATINES TO AMERICA* is a national genealogical society founded in 1975. Membership is available to any interested person, library or school. Annual dues

are \$35 individual, or institution, \$40 family (two persons at the same address).

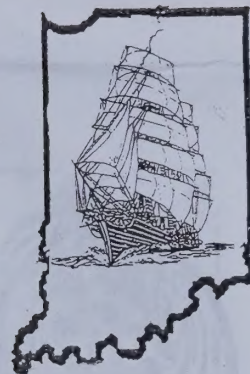
Dues include membership in the national and one chapter, (of which there are currently seven: CO, IL, IN, NY, OH, PA, WV.) national and chapter newsletter and national journal, "The Palatine Immigrant."

**Volunteer today — and help your Indiana chapter and the national society! We need YOU!**

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## A Genealogist's Christmas Eve

Author unknown

'Twas the night before Christmas when all through the house; Not a creature was stirring, not even my spouse.

The dining room table with clutter was spread, with pedigree charts and with letters which said.....

"Too bad about the data for which you wrote, sank in a storm on an ill-fated boat!!"

Stacks of old copies of wills and the such, were proof that my work had become much too much.

Our children were nestled all snug in their beds, while visions of sugarplums danced in their heads.

And I at my table was ready to drop, from work on my album with photos to crop.

Christmas was here, and of such was my lot, that presents and goodies and toys I'd forgot.

Had I not been so busy with grandparents' wills, I'd not have forgotten to shop for such thrills.

While others had bought gifts that would bring Christmas cheer, I'd spent time re-searching those birth dates and years.

While I was thus musing about my sad plight, A strange noise on the lawn gave me such a great fright!

Away to the window I flew in a flash, tore open the drapes and I yanked up the sash.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear, but an overstuffed sleigh and eight small reindeer.

Up to the housetop the reindeer they flew, with a sleigh full of toys, and 'ole Santa Claus, too.

And then in a twinkle, I heard on the roof, the prancing and pawing of thirty-two hoofs.

The TV antenna was no match for their horns, and look at our roof with hoof-prints adorned.

As I drew in my head, and bumped it on the sash, down the cold chimney fell Santa—ker-rash! ————— Story continued on page 3

## Spring Chapter Meeting

Plans are being made for Kandie Anderson to speak at our spring meeting, Saturday, April 21, 2007. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

One topic will be the German settlement of Ottenheim near Crab Orchard, and the other will be an example of tracing land records in Kentucky using the name of Copenhaver through the Secretary of State website.

Kandie works for the Kentucky Secretary of

State, Land Office Division and has a tremendous knowledge concerning Kentucky land records, and can explain how to access those records through the SOS website.

See the enclosed flyer and registration form in this newsletter.

**Please help support your society by making an appearance at the next meeting!**



## Fall 2006 Meeting Observations



DNA Studies  
Paternal Lines  
Maternal Lines  
Ancestral Origins  
Extended Family

The Fall Meeting of the Indiana chapter, Palatines to America was held at the Indiana State Library on October 14th. A small group was present to hear the lectures given by Denise Mortorff who was from California.

Ms. Mortorff was well-versed on the subject matter of Family History and DNA Testing, and her presentation was quite interesting and informative. The slides she had prepared made it fairly easy to understand the DNA study she is involved with, and how the entire process works.

There appeared to be an exceptional amount of security involved to maintain the integrity of the records for those who choose to participate in such a project. Such things as passwords, and a numbering system instead of using names were documented by Denise, as well as a secure web-

site.

One attendee at our meeting had completed a DNA study and was able to give his insight into the cost involved, and the time it took to get the results and other opinions on the process.

Denise mentioned three major companies that are well-known for handling a DNA study. The names of two of the companies can be obtained for you, while the third is listed here.

Denise also answered questions about having a DNA test here, in coordination with a test for a suspected relative in Europe or elsewhere.

**Relative Genetics**—[www.relativegenetics.com](http://www.relativegenetics.com) or [info@relativegenetics.com](mailto:info@relativegenetics.com). This is the company that Denise is associated with for the DNA studies.

## How is DNA Testing used in Genealogy Research

*Remember;*

*Confirm;*

*Prove or disprove;*

*Verify;*

*Save;*

*Solve;*

Each living person carries a record of their ancestors with them in their DNA.

The cost is not expensive, when compared to what you have already spent, or could spend to acquire written records.

Your results are mailed to you and posted on a secure web page. Including your results in the database will facilitate the finding of new genetic cousins.

Using DNA in your genealogical research can help you advance blocked genealogy, determine if

you are a descendant of an ancestor in question, prove immigrant ancestors, and more!

**Remember!**

**Confirm** — relatedness of surname variants;

**Prove or disprove** — existing paper research;

**Verify** — a direct paternal or maternal relationship;

**Save** — time, effort, resources and money;

**Solve** — a family mystery

## German-Reader Volunteer Needed!

**HELP! HELP! A volunteer is needed.**

The Palatine Immigrant has book reviews in their publication, and member volunteers have been available over time to help with this project. Currently, a book-reviewer/German-reader is needed to help with the reviews.

If you have an adequate knowledge of the German language, and would like to volunteer for

this project, please let Clara Harsh (Ohio chapter), Ann Miller Scott, National Librarian, or Dr. Robert McDougal Indiana chapter, know you are interested.

Bob's e-mail address is: [rmcdougal@worldnet.att.net](mailto:rmcdougal@worldnet.att.net). Others—contact your editor.





## A Genealogist's Christmas Eve

(continued from page 1)

"Dear" Santa had come from the roof in a wreck, and tracked soot on the carpet, (I could wring his short neck!)

Spotting my face, good old Santa could see, I had no Christmas spirit you'd have to agree. He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, and filled all the stockings, (I felt like a jerk).

Here was Santa, who'd brought us such gladness and joy; when I'd been too busy for even one toy.

He spied my research on the table all spread, "A Genealogist!" he cried! (my face was all red) Tonight I've met many like you, Santa grinned, as he pulled from his sack a large book he had penned.

I gazed with amazement—the cover it read, "*Genealogy Lines for which you have plead.*"

"I know what it's like as a genealogy bug," he said, as he gave me a great Santa hug.

"While the elves make the sleighful of toys I now carry, I do some research in the North Pole Library!"

"A special treat I am thus able to bring, To genealogy folks who can't find a thing."

"Now off you go to bed for a rest, I'll clean up the house from this genealogy mess."



HO HO HO!

### Genealogist's Christmas Eve— (concluded)

As I climbed up the stairs, full of gladness and glee, I looked back at Santa who'd brought much to me.

While settling in bed, I heard Santa's clear whistle, to his team, which then rose like the down of a thistle. And I heard him exclaim as he flew out of sight, "**Family History is Fun! Merry Christmas! Goodnight!**"

### New Members: We welcome these new members to the Indiana chapter!

Barbara Clisham, Indianapolis, IN; James Bland, The Woodlands, TX; Charles Hessler, Indianapolis, IN; Robert Klink, Chattanooga, TN.

## Ft. Wayne Library Grand-Opening

### FT. WAYNE/ALLEN COUNTY, INDIANA LIBRARY —

The Historical Genealogy Department of the Allen County Library will be open for business this year through 6 p.m. on December 23, 2006. At 6 p.m., that day, the library will close, and immediately after the Christmas holiday break, moving of the library resources will begin to the new space at 900 Library Plaza, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

It is said that the physical space nicely complements the programs and services the genealogy department and the entire library system will be offering in the coming years.

**The library will have a grand opening on Saturday, January 27, 2007** — and according to the library staff—it promises to be GRAND indeed!

Source: Genealogy Gems, September 30, 2006.





## The Legend of Sankt Nikolaus

IGHS Newsletter article, Brad Johnston's article/Flyer Group



Nikolaus/Nicholas was born in Patara (in modern-day Turkey) in the year 280 A.D. He was a committed Christian, and generous man. The historical material pertaining to this man is scarce, but some things are known facts.

He was a pastor, a grey-haired figure with a flowing beard, and a disciplined leader of the town of Myra (now Demre, Turkey). He gave generously of his own possessions to the poor.

It has been recorded that Nicholas signed a declaration at a meeting in Nicea, which was called the Athanasian Creed. A group of over three hundred of the greatest scholars and teachers of Christianity joined together to wrestle with the important question that Jesus was God—brought to their attention by a man named Arius. Arius was teaching his heretical doctrines to the council, and Nicholas was so offended, he jumped to his feet and slapped Arius, causing a disturbance.

Nicholas would later suffer hardships and imprisonment for his bold statements regarding Jesus Christ. He died on December 6, 343. In Eastern Europe, Southern Italy and among the Greeks, he is revered the most, as the patron saint of seafaring men.

## “Young Lincoln” – “Well Done, Indiana!”

### HISTORY MAKERS — I H S DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS SERIES —

One of the nation's leading Lincoln scholars, Harold Holzer will conduct a discussion about, *“Abraham Lincoln Portrayed in the Collections of the Indiana Historical Society,”* his forthcoming book from the I H S Press. The presentation is January 27, 2007, at 2 p.m.

Following his lecture, Mr. Holzer will sign copies of his book at a cookies-and-punch reception.

Guests also will have the opportunity to watch the Society's new Civil War film. *“Well Done, Indiana,”* and the documentary *“Young Lincoln,”* both of which were produced by Emmy Award-winner, Todd Gould from the WFYI TelePlex. Both of these documentaries can be purchased on DVD at the society book store.

These presentations are FREE to the public. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

## NARA Budget Cutbacks



**Editor:** I received an e-mail from the Louisville Genealogical Society, regarding a recent column in Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter. The following are excerpts relating to proposed cutbacks for the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration budget.

A recent announcement that “all is well” at NARA turns out to be false; the money returned to the budget did not get re-allocated to operating expenses. Instead, it went back to the General Fund.

The National Archives (including the presidential libraries) faces a budget shortfall of between \$10 and \$12 million for FY 2007. The shortfall is in base funding that supports the day-to-day operations of the archives and represents fixed must-pay bills (people, buildings, utilities, security.)

Write your Congressmen to support full funding of the National Archives program in fiscal 2007, and catch-up funding in fiscal 2008!



## Passport Applications

Source: *Genealogy Gems*, Oct. 31, 2006; Timothy Dougherty

*The Genealogy Department at the Ft. Wayne Library (Allen County) has announced the acquisition of microfilm copies of passport applications housed in the National Archives.*

At this time, the library only has the first of four collections. The plan is to acquire the others before the end of the year.

**M1372 Passport Applications, 1795-1905 is reproduced on 694 rolls.** These are "regular" applications. Early, letter-format requests gave way to mostly standardized forms by the 1860s. Content includes, date and place of birth, physical description, occupation, foreign destination, and naturalization. The quality of information varies from entry to entry.

The M1372 records have been processed and are ready for use at this time.

There are limitations in using the applications. Until June 1941, U.S. citizens were not required to have one for travel abroad, except for periods during the Civil War and the Great War.

In addition, aliens with some exceptions, were not eligible for passports. Naturalized citizens were generally eligible.

Other records to be acquired are: *M1834, Emergency Passport Applications, 1877-1907; M1371, Registers and Indexes for Passport Applications, 1810-1906; and M1848, Index to Passport Applications, 1850-52, 1860-80, 1881, and 1906-23.*



## Persistence Pays!

Submitted by Member, Rosie Keppel

I'm trying to get my paperwork together for the new Society of Civil War Families of Indiana; it's the only such thing that I qualify for, and only with one ancestor.

In my documentation, I wanted the death certificate for my great-grandmother, Nevada Fox, but I knew that particular death record book has been missing from the Shelby County (Indiana) Health Department for over 20 years.

While getting other birth and death certificates in

Shelby County, I asked the clerk if she could write a letter on their letterhead stating that the record book was missing, but that there was an entry in the WPA index that stated "xxxxxx" (whatever was there). She agreed to do so and I said that I would be back later in the day to pick up the letter and the certificates that I had requested.

This was one time that not doing my homework paid off. If I had looked at the WPA index, I

*"Was I ever surprised when I went back later and was given a death certificate for Nevada Fox along with the others that I had requested!"*

### Persistence Pays! (continued from above)

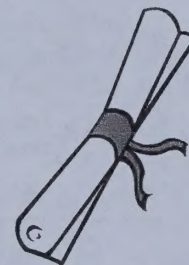
would have realized that Nevada Fox was not listed in it, but I hadn't checked it out (or if I have, I'd forgotten). Was I ever surprised when I went back later and was given a death certificate for Nevada Fox along with the others that I had requested!

It seems that even though I had been told (when I had inquired several years ago) that the Indiana State Health Department did not have death re-

cords until 1908 (their website does say 1900) they do have them.

The clerk in Shelby County had called them and obtained all the information to complete a certificate for Nevada Fox for me.

***I believe this is what they refer to as "serendipity" in genealogy!***





# Cemeteries in Germany

by Sharon (Heeke) Kennedy, Editor



*Editor: Some observations regarding German cemeteries from my August visit.*

On a walk around the City Center of the town of Rheine northwest (Westfalen) Germany, we came upon a section of stones on a small hillside of a nearby path. Silvia, my German friend, explained they were Jewish graves. They were left there by the townspeople as a reminder of the "Holocaust." Silvia thought the bodies had been removed by Hitler's men, but the stones left intact.

**RHEINE— THE OLD TOWN—** A walk further away from the City Center along a black-topped, tree-lined pathway led us to another area of the town, and to our surprise hidden from view by shrubs, bushes and some tall weeds, we found the "Old Town" cemetery—as Silvia referred to it.

It seems that since this being part of the Old Town, the local officials did not feel obligated to care for the cemetery grounds. Although there were large amounts of ivy, trees and some overgrown bushes, it was still beautiful. There were many pathways in and around the grave areas, and benches in a few places. This cemetery seemed very secluded to me. The many old stones were of various shapes and sizes, some dating back into the early 1830s. This was surprising since we had always been told the graves were changed over after about 30 years. We didn't see family names of importance here.

## **IBBEN-**

**BÜREN** — The last cemetery we visited was in the small town of Ibbenbüren, which was nearby. After getting directions we drove down a wide avenue, to a place where we could park, and walked across the street. As before, behind bushes, shrubs and the like, at the entrance beyond were beautiful cemetery grounds. In some instances, the gravesites might be 6x6 or 8x8, and some smaller, with many having a border of granite around the edges about 6-8 inches high.

Shrubs, flowers, and sometimes various types of trees were included in the grave area. A candle holder had been placed inside a few of these gravesites. Each grave had been individually designed so that none looked the same. One section had old stone crosses, and Silvia explained these were the graves of German soldiers killed in the war. Further down the way, we saw a small section of stones lying closer to the ground. By looking at the names, Silvia told us she thought they were either graves of Polish or Russian soldiers who had been prisoners of war.

We walked around various paths, looking at the names of the deceased people. However, these graves were from recent times, many being buried in the 1980s and 1990s, and the past few years. We continued our walk, found a section of smaller graves where children were buried. Their gravesites were only a few feet wide and long, as compared to those of the adults and families in the other parts of the cemetery. These were also adorned with flowers and shrubs.

Some workmen were placing a border around one gravesite, so Silvia spoke to them in German, asking if there was a place we could go to get more information about the cemetery. They pointed to a small building at the other end of the cemetery. We walked there, but no one was inside. My traveling companion, Jeanne was very interested in getting information because she had MERSCH ancestry in this area, and we had seen some graves with that name. Silvia promised to get an address from the caretaker so Jeanne could write a letter. It had been an interesting visit to the places that day. I think the thing that struck me the most, (not only the beauty of these places) but how the cemeteries were hidden from the street, without signs, etc., indicating their location.

Left: Rheine Old Town Cemetery— RUHESTÄTT - born in Münster, died in Rheine  
(OTHER PHOTOS ON PAGE 7)





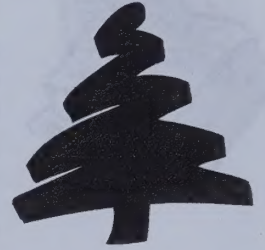
## Sankt Nikolaus Fest– Christkindl Market

**ST. NIKOLAUS** —A visit from St. Nikolaus will occur on Sunday, December 3 at the Athenaeum, 401 E. Michigan Street, Indianapolis. Sankt Nikolaus dressed in red and gold vestments, carrying a crozier will appear at 3:30 p.m. He is followed by Knecht Ruprecht, in ragged, sooty clothes, who carries in his sack treats and switches. Nikolaus checks his Goldenes Buch (Golden Book) and calls the children by name to account for their behavior through the year!

Cost for this event: Adults \$7.00, children under 13, \$5.00. Seating is limited on Sunday and children **MUST** be registered. For further information, call (317) 630-4569.

**CHRISTKINDL MARKET** — The weekend of December 1-3 the Athenaeum will again host the Christkindl Market, offering old-world and other crafts and gifts. Market hours Friday and Saturday are 5-9 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

**SANKT NIKOLAUS FEST** — Family activities at the Sankt Nikolaus Fest begin at 1 p.m. with gingerbread making, crafts, games, a puppet show and dancing. At 3 p.m., the traditional Weihnachtsbaum Zeremonie—the lighting of the Christmas tree with candles and group singing will take place in the Auditorium. (at the Athenaeum)



## The Legend of the Säubrenner

Source: Eiffel Times Newspaper, Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany, 8/06

Editor: The Legend of the Säubrenner story is cute — and I include it here.

*"It was the time of Friedrich of Ehrenberg, when the town was surrounded by the enemy, and only the walls and towers prevented it from being destroyed.*

*But one important evening, the guard of the Himmerod gate was unable to find the bolt and replaced it with a carrot.*

*Then came the terrible night, when a starving pig approached the gate, and ate the forbidden vegetable, which opened the door to the enemy.*

*After several days had passed, and the foe had left the place, in the city burned and robbed, all the pigs were driven to the market place to roast them on the grill.*

*Since that time, Wittlich is known as the town of the Säubrenner. The most famous "Pig Roasters!"*

The Säubrenner festival is held every year from 18-21, August, in Wittlich, Germany. Included in the festivities is the pig roast, handicraft market, stage music, and wine from Wittlich and from the Mosel. Check out their website: [www.wittlich.de](http://www.wittlich.de).



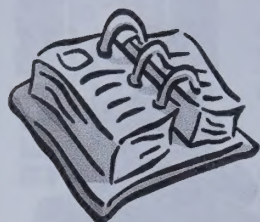
Old Town Cemetery—Rheine, Westfalen



Ibbenbüren Cemetery, Westfalen



## Dates to Remember



**Dec. 10: (Sunday, 3 p.m.) German Christmas Service at Zion Evangelical United Church of Christ, Indianapolis, at North and New Jersey Streets.** (317) 257-0493. (translations included in the bulletin)

**Dec. 10: IGHS Members and friends are invited to a celebration of Eb and Ruth Reichmann's 50th Wedding Anniversary, and Eb's 80th birthday.** (4:30 p.m.)

**Dec. 20: Den of Misery: Indiana's Civil War Prison.** Lunchtime book discussion series. Noon-1 p.m., Indiana Historical Society Building, Multipurpose Room. FREE. Camp Morton, an Indianapolis Civil War prison camp. James Hall examines the cruel realities of prison camp life.

**May 5, 2007: New York Chapter Meeting.** Will

be held in Rome, NY. Speakers include Allan Foote and Susan Seaway from the Northern Frontier Project. (project dedicated to protection/preservation of historic sites in upstate New York.

**May 16-19, 2007: National Genealogical Society Conference.** Richmond, Virginia.

**August 15-18, 2007: Federation of Genealogists Society Conference.** Fort Wayne, Indiana.

**June 22, 23, 24, 2007: National Palatines to America Annual Conference.** West Virginia University Conference Center, Evansdale Campus, Morgantown, WV.

## Germany— Visiting Here and There!

by Jeanne Heeke Schifflbein Drake

**Editor:** My traveling companion for the August trip to Germany—planned to stay there several more weeks after I left. The following are some observations from her travels. (Jeanne lives in Spokane, Washington.)

*Jeanne — My visits to Hörstel, Meile and Wellingholzhausen were interesting— the old churches and cemeteries, but I did not find any useful information. All referred me to the archives in Osnabrück. Some data was found there. The gentleman (at the archives) acted as if the records were sacred, all were on microfiche. The copy machine did not work very well. When I asked for more death records he informed me that those were sealed and not available for years to come. After three hours I called it quits!*

*I did visit the village of Heeke. (north of Münster and near Osnabrück). (Heeke is the surname for both myself and Jeanne—but the town of Heeke is not the ancestral town of our ancestors)*

*When I took the train from Osnabrück to Bersenbrück I then needed a taxi to Heeke. How do I get a taxi? With the help of a young lady and her mother, and their cell phone, a taxi was called. When the taxi arrived, the lady driver had been told that I wanted to go to Heeke and that was all she understood. The lady called her daughter on the cell phone, and her daughter was fluent in English, so I told her my story and she relayed the information to her mother and we were off.*

*Apparently the village was established in the year 1200, and there was a celebration in 2000. A number of plaques identified an 800 year celebration. One read, 'Feverinehr' Heeke. Another was '2000 Jahre Heeker Dorf.'*

*Arriving back at the train station, I was greeted by a group of young beer drinking youths who were going to Osnabrück for a dance festival starting at 1:00 p.m. They all had their stash of beer and they even shared one with me!!*

## German Dialect Website

The Max Kade Institute has announced a new website devoted to German dialects spoken in the United States. This project is part of the American Languages project funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Go to <http://csumc.wisc.edu/AmericanLanguages>, click on "German dialects," and explore the site.

A brief user survey, which is linked under "Evaluation" is

shown at the upper right of the page, and you are requested to complete it. The survey questions are in English, but you may answer in German or English.

The survey is needed in order to make the site as user-friendly as possible.

Source: GERMANYINUS/IUPUI and Kevin M. Kurdylo, Librarian, Max Kade Institute, Madison, WI.



## Memories of POW Camp in Windfall

Material submitted by James Feit, Chapter member

Helene Heath, Tipton County Historian organized a program, "Returning to Remember" at the Tri-Central High School Auditorium in Windfall, Indiana on September 28. The event sponsored by the Windfall Lions Club was to spread little known information about the 1944 and 1945 POW camp at Windfall.

The German POW compound was on the Carl Scudder farm adjoining the school on the NE edge of Windfall. Glenn Quarles, of Harrison, TN a former POW guard in 1945, was a special guest of the Lions' Club. A surprise was another guard, Robert Stemen, who was also a guard at the POW camp, who drove from Lima, OH for the evening.

Prior to the program, Forty-nine written memories of the camp were submitted for a booklet published by the Tipton County Historical Society by those who were there. Contributors included a few senior citizens still living from over the area who submitted memories. Many entries were from former elementary students in Windfall Elem-High School at the time of the camp. A former Windfall POW, 85 year old Hans Krings of Germany also submitted his memories.

Several written memories were submitted after the publication of the booklet. These will be placed in the Windfall Library and that of the Tipton County Historical Society, along with any additional items received. Booklets are available at \$10, plus \$2 shipping. Contact the Tipton County Heritage Center, 323 W. South Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072. Tipton County is about 1 hour north of Indianapolis.



## From Your Editor!

**FYI** — Due to many changes at the national office regarding staff and volunteers in recent months, current membership reports have not been forwarded to me. I have attempted to update a previous list of member labels sent to me of those persons who have paid their 2007 dues.

**DON'T FORGET!** The 2006/07 membership dues for the Palatines to America are being accepted at this time. If the label on your newsletter still shows "2006" - then you are in arrears.

**LOCAL LEADER DIES**— Ralph Eugene Baldwin, formerly of Speedway, Indiana, passed away on August 15, 2006 in St. Joseph, Michigan. He was buried in Crown Hill Cemetery. Ralph was the President of the Westside Indianapolis Genealogy Club for many years during the 1990s. Ralph and his wife, Pat spent many vacations in court houses, and old cemeteries searching for ancestors. (Theopolous Baldwin—was a unique one!) Ralph will be missed.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Please note the enclosed flyer— There are positions open on the Indiana chapter board—that we are anxious to fill. Note: Other than attending the spring and fall meetings, most correspondence between board members and committee chairs is carried out via e-mail. **Won't you please consider helping out the society and volunteer now?**

## Remove the hat!

*A woman brought an old picture of her deceased husband, wearing a hat, to a photographer. She wanted to know if the photographer could remove the hat from the picture.*

*He told her he could easily do that, and then asked her which side of his head her late husband parted his hair on.*

*"I forget," she said. "But you can see that for yourself when you take off his hat!"*



Source: Rootsweb Sept 2006, Vol. 9, No. 39.



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***HAPPY HANUKKAH TO THOSE OF THE JEWISH FAITH."***

**SEND YOUR QUERIES, LETTERS OR STORIES** — to the editor at least two weeks prior to the publication dates which are, March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1. Let's get your family history story told!



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## **GENEALOGY WORKSHOP**

**SATURDAY**

**21 APRIL 2007**

**Indiana State Library, History Reference Room**  
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**315 West Ohio Street Entrance**  
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## **GERMAN MIGRATION INTO KENTUCKY**

Search for family history information with land records on the Kentucky Secretary of State website, Land Office Division, using the Copenhaver name as an example

## **SETTLEMENT OF OTTENHEIM**

Learn about the German settlement of Ottenheim near Crab Orchard along the pioneer migration route through Lincoln County, Kentucky

*Kandie Adkinson*

*from the Kentucky Secretary of State Office, Land Office Division*

## **GERMAN TRANSLATIONS**

TRANSLATORS from the Indiana German Heritage Society will be available to assist you by reading and translating the script and handwriting of your old document or letter; please bring a good copy for evaluation.

**Registration fee: PalAm member \$5; non-member \$10**

Please, bring your own morning beverage and/or snack.

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Please register me for the IN Chapter Pal-Am spring workshop Saturday 21 April 2007

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# **INDIANA PALATINES**

## **Indiana Chapter, Palatines to America**

**Openings for leadership!! The Chapter's offices of President and Vice-President are vacant. These involve: the VP plans chapter conferences (customarily twice a year), speaker and location; the President chairs annual chapter meetings, represents the chapter on the national board, and helps the VP especially in searching for speakers. Other offices now filled include treasurer, newsletter editor and registrar.**

**Please contact one of past presidents below for more information, or fill out the attached form and give to any of them. Obviously membership in the national organization of Palatines to America, and the Indiana Chapter are required.**

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# George A. Brown

**Private First Class, U.S. Army**

**Service # 35257335**

**3rd Chemical Battalion**

**Entered the Service from: Indiana**

**Died: January 12, 1945**

**Buried at: Plot H Row 15 Grave 25**

**Luxembourg American Cemetery**

**Luxembourg City, Luxembourg**

**Awards: Purple Heart**



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